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Film Censorship:

An Article Criticized

To the Editor of the
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SIR,—The film censorship, for a long time already had become the sorest point in the municipal administration of this Settlement wrongly called "model." At one time the public reaction to the films exhibited here found its expression in numerous protests to the press. They have ceased to appear afterwards, their authors having probably understood the futility of their efforts. Therefore great surprise mixed up with indignation has been caused by the statements contained in the article published in your today's issue under the caption "Film Censorship In Shanghai Is No Easy Task." Each and every statement in this article are in flagrant contradiction with the truth and facts. Let us see these statements and the actual facts:

> If Police Censors consider a film unsuitable for juveniles, they advise the exhibitors accordingly and their wishes in this respect are invariably obeyed.

One of the theatres actually shows the film in which, under the pretext of the "Bathing Suits Fashion Show," half-naked women are exhibited. The producers even do not pretend to show the suits, but direct their camera to the naked parts of the woman. If "the wishes of the censors are invariably obeyed," as stated above, the obvious conclusion is that the censors are incompetent and do not know their job. Further, the article in question, which bears all marks of having been inspired by the censors themselves, proceeds:

> ....no film is passed for public exhibition which is considered to be derogatory to public morals, encourage crime or vice, to be offensive to public feeling.....films in which crime or violence and the use of firearms are depicted, or in which crime is displayed in an alluring light in comparison with a legitimate profession or occupation....

This is what ought to be, but not what is actually taking place in every theatre in Shanghai every day of each year. And this is stated at a time when half of the film pictures are devoted to the glorification of the crime. Go and see the film, which actually is being exhibited at one of the theatres. Is not there a hero for whose head the government promised reward of $10,000 and who finally triumphs over the administration, pursuing "legitimate professional occupation?" And what about using of fire-arms, killing, etc.? Do the censors pretend that they prohibit these pictures?

Furthermore we learn, that the solicitude of the censors to the public goes so far that

> ...susceptibilities of any nationals are being considered and the scenes which are intended to foment social unrest must be cut off...

Yes, "must be": But are they? Have not we seen dozens of pictures showing religious ceremonies, offensive to religious feeling of the public? Or what about so-called "historical" films, which practically all are a bolshevik propaganda?

> ....cruelty or display of human agony and those pictures of objectionable prison scenes or the display of the police in a false or derogatory light are never allowed etc.....

Well, what about numerous films depicting revolutionary uprisings with inevitable scenes of executions etc.? Have not we seen quite recently "Marie Antoinette" with revolting scenes of executions, "prison scenes," the play which called forth so sharp criticism of the French local daily?

The whole article in question gives the impression that the censors have copied their instructions and published them, taking for granted that the public would believe they are carried out punctually.

Personally I am surprised to learn that the films are censored by the police only, the Board of Censors acting only when parties interested appeal to it. But as all "wishes of the censors are invariably obeyed" by the producers, as stated in the article, there is obviously no chance left for the Board to express its opinion, because of happy harmony existing between the censors and producers.

However happy this state of affairs might be, the majority of public opinion would like to see more active and more effective participation of the Board in the censorship, which should be handed over to persons with better qualifications for that job.

TUTTI.

Shanghai, Jan. 4.

Grand Opera:

Pleas for Assistance

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Your critic in today's paper of "Faust" starts with: "After the success which 'La Traviata' had when it was produced recently, one actually expected more of 'Faust' ....." It is astonishing how personal opinions on works of art vary but I am sure that many with me would have written: "After having viewed recently the performance of 'La Traviata' one was astounded, stupefied by the brilliant performance of "'Faust." The performance was by far the most artistic opera representation ever given in Shanghai, and in comparison the performance of "La Traviata" was amateurish.

It was not only the splendid voices that impressed one but the scenery, the acting, the directing, all were so ably handled that a piece of art of unquestionable value was created. Apart from the performances of individual star artists, travelling through Shanghai, only the performances of the Shanghai Municipal Orchestra may be artistically favourably compared with yesterday's rendering of "Faust." But then it must be remembered that the Orchestra has an ensemble of 50 well paid men who for years have been trained together under the very able baton of that great artist Maestro Paci.

During opera performances at their best one has to overlook certain, to the modern being, somewhat ridiculous ways of expression. In Shanghai we have for years been forced to overlook a number of deficiencies in performances of great ensembles, which are due to lack of talents to fill the different rôles, choruses and the supporting cast. It was therefore a special delight to see such well trained choruses as yesterday and enough praise cannot be given to the director for his handling of the "mass scenes." How he has been able suddenly to assemble such an even sort and coach them into acting, both natural and subdued, is astonishing. Against this background the superb acting of some of the singers stood out to its full advantage. Some of the scenes certainly will be remembered long for the perfection and artistic moulding together of song, music, acting, direction, and it is a pity that the orchestra is not a bigger one. At least a double number of musicians should be needed.

Contrary to your reviewer's statement, the house was poorly filled, and if better support is not forthcoming it does not take an economical expert to figure out that this venture will go the same way as previous opera ventures in Shanghai —towards bankruptcy. The engagement of artists of note from Europe proposed by your reviewer is rather a utopian dream.

With your permission I will therefore make the following five reasonable demands:

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I may add that I am in no way economically interested in the Grand Opera Shanghai nor do I know anyone connected with the same.

S. B.

Shanghai, Jan. 4.

**The Amateur Dramatic Club of Shanghai charges rentals for the use of the Lyceum Theatre which in view of all the circumstances are remarkably low. It is entirely through the Club's activities that the Lyceum Theatre is secured for use as an artistic centre, and the charges it makes are so low that it is an open secret that the Club's policy of not desiring to make large profits is consistently realized.—ED.

Local Beggars:

A Reader's Recent Shock

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—I am a constant reader of your esteemed paper, and I have read many complaints addressed to the Editor on the serious annoyances that exist in our city. But unfortunately I have not seen any letters of late complaining of the local beggar situation. However, an unfortunate incident last night has forced me to take up the pen and protest.

Last night on my way home along Bubbling Well Road I was touched on the arm, and on turning round I received a terrible fright as I stared into the disfigured face of a beggar. His face was a terrible sight, and it appeared to me as if he had leprosy on his face, for he had no nose and his features were practically undistinguishable.

Since the local war, a number of refugee camps have been set up, why could not a camp be made for the local beggars? They certainly are a big nuisance to shoppers and pedestrians. Seymour Road and St. George's are often crowded with these unfortunates, and the worst is that many of them have all sorts of diseases and sicknesses, and some are not only content to beg but often take hold of you as you pass. I think it is about time that something should be done for these miserable people.

If there is any truth in the rumours that the S.M.C. is considering another increase in the pay of their employees, I would suggest that the forthcoming increase be halved and one half of it used in providing for a camp of some sort for the beggars.

At least the streets of Shanghai would be a shade cleaner and safer to walk through.

A RESIDENT.

Shanghai, Jan. 4.

Bridge Obstruction:

Japanese Searches Criticized

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Yesterday afternoon, at about 4.15 p.m., the Japanese sentries on Garden Bridge and Szechuen Road Bridge were evidently under instructions to search all cars, with the result that it took me just 15 minutes to proceed from a point one block north of the Post Office on Szechuen Road, to the south side of the Szechuen Road Bridge.

I do not know what the Japanese Military expect to accomplish by this sort of thing except the irritation of the entire Shanghai community, because they certainly cannot be foolish enough to think that they are going to find much when they are searching cars in this manner. If anybody has contraband in his car, he certainly is not going to be so stupid as to try to pass over the Bridge when he can see quite well, while he is three or four blocks away, that searching is in progress. Naturally in such a case he will turn off and take his contraband back to where it came from. I was driving south on Broadway and could see quite easily several blocks ahead that searching was in progress, so I switched off to Szechuen Road thinking that I might find it easier there. However, searching was going on at that point as well.

Searching of cars is undoubtedly necessary, but I think it would occur to the Japanese military authorities that they would stand more chance of finding what they are looking for if they would search, say, every fifth car, allowing the rest of the traffic to proceed. By so doing they would not cause the terrific traffic congestion such as we witnessed yesterday, and those trying to get contraband across the Bridge would never be certain as to when their cars were going to be stopped.

DRIVER.

Shanghai, Dec. 31.

A Penalty Kick:

Footballer Explains

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—With reference to the report of the International Cup game played between England and China, appearing in your esteemed paper today, I would like to draw your attention to the fact that it was stated that I had refused to accept a penalty kick awarded against China in the second half; and deliberately shot wide of the mark.

In order to clear up any misunderstanding on this point, I wish to say that I had every intention of converting the penalty kick, which, by the way, the referee was perfectly justified in giving. I completely missed the goal, but that was purely accidental, and due to poor judgment on my part. These things will happen in sports; a true sportsman accepts them philosophically and hopes to make up for it another day.

JIM WARD.

Shanghai, Jan. 3.

The Ant Pest:

Former Recipe Wanted

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Some time ago, I seem to remember a correspondent writing to ask your help in finding a cure for small ants which were overrunning his pantry. And another correspondent was good enough to reply with a formula which was guaranteed to get rid of the pests.

As I have noticed these little brutes in my own home, and no amount of scrubbing or cleaning seems to destroy them, I should be grateful if someone would be kind enough to repeat for my benefit, the necessary treatment.

SUSY Q.

Shanghai, Jan. 1.

Prince Consort's Letters

Correspondence with German Friends Which Influenced Political Events Abroad

If the Prince Consort has had to wait a long time—he died in December, 1861—for justice to be done to his eminent abilities and political foresight, at any rate the recognition is now generous and complete. His political influence grew steadily from the time of his marriage to Queen Victoria until the day of his death. And justly, for he gauged the changed conditions of the time better than most of the leading men in English politics, says J. B. Firth in the "Daily Telegraph and Morning Post."

The leading English statesmen disliked the presence and influence of Count Stockmar at Windsor, and were suspicious of the correspondence which the Prince carried on with his German relatives. They had no means, of course, of discovering its nature, but they made shrewd guesses which were not far out.

A German Estimate

We are now able to form a more exact estimate, for the Ducal archives at Coburg and the Brandenburg-Prussian archives at Charlottenburg have recently been investigated by Dr. Kurt Jagow with valuable results which have taken shape in a volume, "Letters of the Prince Consort." Most of the 350 letters and memoranda see the light for the first time.

Among them are several letters from the Windsor archives, which the King has given permission to publish. They were written by the Prince to the Queen during their engagement, when he was enjoying a sunshine which was only clouded by the foreboding that he would have to assert his independence very vigorously if he was to be master of the house as well as husband of the Queen.

Dr. Jagow's editing is very well done. But he writes from a foreign angle of vision, and few English readers will be willing to allow his bold claim that "it is in essence due to the merits of the German Prince who for less than two decades sat upon, or rather stood by, the throne of England, as the faithful guardian of the Crown, that today the British monarchy is able to command the power, prestige and internal strength required by the British Empire to hold together its self-governing nations and to take rank as a world Power." That is Teutonic exaggeration; Dr. Jagow's suggestion that the British Constitutional monarchy is really the handiwork of the Prince Consort is fantastic.

If the Public Had Known

The Prince himself, in a letter to Stockmar, written in 1854, deals very frankly with the unpleasant experiences through which he had passed:

> The English nation, slow of thought and uneducated, never gave itself the trouble to consider what really is the position of the husband of a Queen Regnant. When I first came over here I was met by this want of knowledge and unwillingness to give a thought to the position of this luckless personage. Peel cut down my income. Wellington refused me my rank. The Royal family cried out against the foreign interloper; the Whigs in office were only inclined to concede to me just as much space as I could stand upon.
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> The Constitution is silent as to the Consort of the Queen; yet there he was, and not to be done without. As I kept quiet and caused no scandal, and all went well, no one has troubled about me and my doings.
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> Now that it has been brought to light that I have for years taken an active interest in all political matters, the public fancied itself betrayed because it felt it had been self-deceived. It also rushed all at once into a belief in secret correspondence with foreign Courts, intrigues, etc.

Nor, as this volume shows, was such a belief ill-founded, and if the contents of some of these letters, notably those addressed to King Frederick William IV. of Prussia, had been made known to Lord Palmerston they would assuredly have aroused his fierce indignation. The second letter of the series begins by assuring the King that "in all our views and opinions on English policy, as well as on European and world policy, Victoria and I are one, as beseems two faithful married people." It continues:

> If, however, in my communications to your Majesty there appears a certain excess, as in my last letter, of purely British feeling, you will (knowing, as I do, your truly German sentiments) see in it in future nothing unseemly, but will freely admit that though I am incidentally the Queen of England's husband, I am also one German Prince speaking to another.
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> It goes without saying that all such outpourings, whether they come from your Majesty or are addressed to you, are to be treated by us both with the strictest secrecy, and to be withheld from everyone, including our Governments.

In this same letter some exceedingly derogatory references are made to Sir Edmund Lyons, the British Minister at Athens. We know very well, writes the Prince, that his despatches are written in a spirit of obstinate partisanship, and Your Majesty may rely on me watching Sir E. Lyons with anxious attention and seizing upon any action of his not in conformity with his duties to demand his immediate recall. Manifestly, therefore, Downing Street's dislike of the Prince's foreign correspondence was not wholly without foundation.

England's Interests

Such passages, however, are rare. Most of these letters show the Prince's sterling political judgment, and he did not often make such a gaffe as he made in 1845, when he wrote to Wilberforce on his appointment to the Bishopric of Oxford, giving him detailed instructions as to how a Bishop of the State Church should comport himself in the House of Lords, on what subjects he should vote and on which refrain.

After the anxieties of the Revolutionary year (1848), when his friend Prince William of Prussia, grandfather of the Kaiser, was for a time an exile in London, the Prince Consort advocated a cautious policy of non-intervention in Continental affairs.

> However differently, he wrote in 1850, parties here may judge the facts of Continental happenings, all agree absolutely in desiring that England's interests and welfare shall not be dragged into the whirlpool. This desire only strengthens the general determination against any Continental war and against taking any part in one.
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> In face of this national feeling no minister could dare pledge England's name to a measure involving a likelihood of participation in a fresh Continental war—without consent of Parliament. Such consent would never be granted, even if it were made clear to Parliament that great interests were at stake.

Yet the events even then were already in train which produced the Crimean war, when the Prince Consort was highly incensed by what he and the Queen considered the "moral cowardice" of Prussia in refusing to join England and France in their war against Russia for the protection of Turkey.

Advice to Prussia

On the thorny question of how best to secure German unity the Prince eventually came round to the opinion that Austria should be excluded from a United Germany, and remain a separate realm, but in cordial friendship and alliance. Prussia, in his view, as the only Great Power in Germany, ought to lead the movement, but it was essential that Prussia should act in a German and not in a Prussian spirit.

"Prussia's position," he wrote on one occasion, "is a weak one and will continue to be so, so long as she does not morally dominate Germany, and to be herself German is the way to bring this about." What the Prince did not foresee was that Prussia would so soon adopt Bismarckian ideas and policies—the very antithesis of his own—under the rule of the King whom he had sought to indoctrinate with his own Liberal tendencies.

As one of his dearest objects was to establish cordial relations between England and Germany, he heartily welcomed the suggestion of a matrimonial alliance between the Princess Royal and Prince William's eldest son. She was his favourite daughter; and no son-in-law could have been more amiable—and amenable to the Prince Consort's ideas—than the future Emperor Frederic.

Prince's Chosen Bride

While "Vicky" was an apt and willing pupil, her brother Bertie, the Prince of Wales, was reluctant and unpromising from the start. The future King Edward VII. was not interested in self-improvement on the lines laid down by the Prince Consort and the father had a keen eye for the son's faults.

Parental anxieties were renewed when it came to finding the Prince a bride. He had already noted a photograph of Princess Alexandra of Denmark in the rooms of one of his relations at Kew, and his eager desire to make her acquaintance caused his parents to look about for alternative choices. They did not desire a Danish connection, for the question of the succession to the Danish Duchies was already becoming acute, and a Danish marriage would range the Prince's sympathies on the Danish and not on the German side in the coming trouble. The father was in a dilemma, for "to name the Princess to Bertie as one whom he must not be tempted into marrying" would merely "call his attention to the forbidden fruit."

"We have explained to him," he wrote to Coburg, "the difficulties in the way of such a choice, and he has taken it in as far as a youth of his age and disposition can do. Since however, these views are shared by no one else in England, and we have against us the Ministers, the Press and the public, all we could do in practice was to discover some other partie that Bertie would accept (for he wishes to marry early, and it will be for his good morally as well as socially and politically).

There is, however, a complete lack of competition for the honour. We made opportunities for Bertie to see two others, and he took a dislike to both. Vicky has racked her brains to find someone for us, but without success. Princess——is not pretty enough, and there is no one else...

In the bloom of her girlish beauty Princess Alexandra was, indeed, a formidable competitor, and the Prince did not allow stuffy considerations of German State-politics to weigh in the balance against his happiness. He followed the dictates of his heart, and the whole nation approved his choice.

Politics and Personality

The Prince Consort worked too hard and overtaxed his physical powers. He aged very prematurely. In one of his last letters to "Vicky" at Berlin he wrote:

> One's feelings remain under the influence of the treadmill of never-ending business. The donkey in Carisbrooke, which you will remember, is my live counterpart. He, too, would much rather munch thistles in the Castle moat than turn round in the wheel at the Castle well, and small are the thanks that he gets for his labour.

That sounds a pathetic note of self-pity. But in truth he was worn out and said to the Queen some time before his last illness: I am sure that if I had a severe illness, I should give up at once and not fight for my life.

These letters will add to the Prince Consort's reputation for political insight, but they also explain why he never really gained the affections of Englishmen. It was because he did not seriously try to become an Englishman. He faithfully did his duty to England as became the husband of the Queen; but German he was born, and "loyal Courger and Gothaner" he remained in spirit to the end.

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New Regulations for Manchoukuo Army

War Council Created to Advise Emperor

Changchun, Jan. 3.

A military ordinance consisting of 98 articles, which contain service regulations governing the Manchoukuo Army, will be promulgated on Wednesday. The ordinance received Imperial Sanction on December 21.

The Manchoukuo Government will also promulgate a decree on Wednesday whereby a war council will be created to advise the Emperor on important military affairs.—Reuter.

Visas Between Czech State and Britain

London, Jan. 3.

Reports that, as from January 1, visas became necessary for travellers from Czechoslsovakia visiting Great Britain and vice versa, are inaccurate.

With a view to the control of refugees arriving at British ports seeking admission to Great Britain and in order to obviate unnecessary disappointments in the interests of the refugees themselves, the British Government has found it necessary to denounce the 1930 agreement with Czechoslovakia, to abolish visa enquiries, but the denunciation does not become effective till April 1, next.—Wireless through Reuter.

White Russia Celebrates Birth of Republic

Moscow, Jan. 2.

The people of White Russia, one of the Soviet Union"s' constituent States bordering Poland, in celebrating the twentieth anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic, sent telegrams of loyalty to M. Joseph Stalin; M. Vladimir Molotov, President of the Council of the People's Commissars, and Marshal Klementii Voroshilov, Commissar for Defence, who, in acknowledging the telegrams, said: "The entire Soviet Union is ready to fight for socialism anl independence and will rout all its enemies."—Reuter.

THE Shanghai Japanese Chamber of Commerce and Industry was incorporated on Saturday as a result of an order issued by the Japanese Consulate-General, it was announced on Sunday. Certain new qualifications for membership, which includes Japanese merchants and industrialists, will be observed. The chamber will assist movements to carry out economic rehabilitation in Central China.

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Five Ex-Officials in Soviets Must Die

Illegal Arrest of Teachers Form Basis of Charges

Kiev, Jan. 2.

The Kiev military tribunal today sentenced to death five officials of the People's Commissariat for the Interior for the Republic of Moldavia.

The five were found guilty of having illegally arrested a group of teachers whom they falsely accused of having organized a minor counter-revolutionary movement among the youth of the land. One teacher told the court how he had been threatened by one of the judges, Tchitchikalo, at his trial, when his confession was sought. He added that his car had been seized when he was arrested and that when he was released, he found it no longer usable.

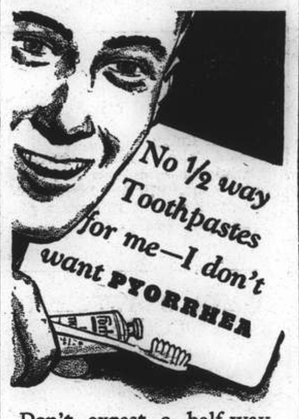
At the conclusion of the five officials' trial here, the Prosecutor demanded that the accused be punished in exemplary manner. He pointed out especially that they were officials who had tried to discredit the Interior Commissariat. The names of the five now sentenced to death are, Ioufa, Volkov, Shpitz, Tchitchikalo and Kouslenko.—Havas.

Sixty Years Ago

FROM THE "NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS" OF JANUARY 5, 1879

The "Daily Telegraph" admits that it cannot be said that there has yet come any relief to the depression in trade which has so long prevailed in England. Every great interest in the country complains, and the complaints of some grow louder day by day. There may seem to be a certain degree of rashness in drawing elements of comfort and even hope from these depressing conditions, and yet we are amply warranted in doing so. But it is beyond question that the severe trail through which English industries are at present passing has produced salutary results in the minds of both manufacturers and workmen, and that they recognize the necessity of beating their rivals with their own weapons, cheapness and excellence of production. In three respects the English manufacturer should easily be able to encounter his foreign competitor with success—in the command of capital, of raw material and the labour. Capital is more abundant here than any country, except France, and certainly much cheaper than in the United States. Now what the "Telegraph" wishes to point out is that at this very moment, when complaints are loudest, the germ of a better state of things is most clearly to be detected.

TWELVE South African architects and building-engineers arrived in Berlin on January 1 from the West German industrial city of Duesseldorf. The South African guests will spend a week in Berlin inspecting the new airport of Berlin-Tempelhof and the north-south underground now under construction. On January 7 the South Africans will proceed to Nuremberg.



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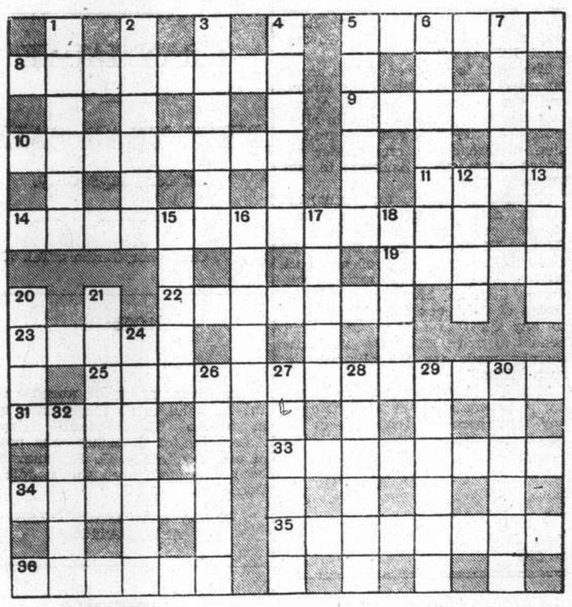

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5 It's often the man who soaks who will this on his friends
8 A single letter usually conveys more than this
9 Suggests here a nautical messenger not here
10 Hardly strange yet half unbelievable
11 What comes from the ju-ju is terrible
14 This comes but once a year (two words)
19 Not above showing a dislocated joint
22 Has this country also started to its head?
23 Vocal effort with unfortunate ending
25 Does it make people cross as intended? (two words)
31 Song mixed in 8 across
33 An attractive epithet
34 The Germans started it in the war but it might have been faster
35 Stretch
36 As banks know any alteration of this may have a direct result

DOWN

1 Some phrase may have accounted for the creation of this immortal
2 A constellation
3 The garments he depicts are usually lined
4 Town of Asia Minor
5 This is still
6 It gives one a dim idea
7 Kind
12 A striking epithet perhaps
13 A man must be wealthy to this beheaded a this
15 An all-in seat
16 It's the youngsters that get it in the neck!
17 The daughter shows the son is the reverse of all right
18 Reduce what the sailor consumed
20 Is this kind of party an excuse for the display of animal spirits?
21 Joke that starts with a sail
24 Direction to pull a fish backwards
26 Not a spider, definitely
27 This should hardly be true to its name at the picnic
33 A seaside resort—as it was
29 A cry from a craven generation
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32 Queen Elizabeth was Tudor, and King Charles was this

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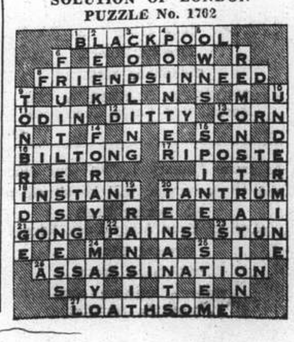

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Russian New Year Ball

The Ball Committee of the Union of Russian Army and Navy men has been working for some time preparing all the details of one of the most popular balls of the season, the Russian New Year Eve Ball. It will take place as usual on January 13, at the Cercle Sportif Francis.

The proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the Union's Shelter for the poorest ex-service men and their families.

An interesting programme is being arranged and a special New Year performance at midnight is promised. Amateurs are to appear prettily costumed in a beautiful dance and many ballet artists will give special dances.

This Ball is usually one of the most distinctive social events of the Russian colony and is well attended by Russians as well as by their friends of other nationalities.

FROM SHANGHAI FOOTLIGHTS AND FILMS

"I am the Law"

Edward G. Robinson, erstwhile cinematic gangland chief, has a new role at the Grand, that of law enforcement. Playing with him are Barbara O'Neal, John Beal, Wendy Barrie and Otto Kruger.

"There Goes My Heart"

Fredric March and Virginia Bruce shortly will headline this production at the Nanking Theatre, supported by Patsy Kelly, Alan Mowbray, Nancy Carroll, Eugene Pallette and Arthur Lake.

"The Good Earth"

Back in Shanghai after a tour of the outports, Paul Muni and Luise Rainer soon will be at the Metropol Theatre. Others in the cast include Tillie Losch, Walter Connolly, Jessie Ralph and Kay Luke.

"Woman Against Woman"

Mary Astor and Virginia Bruce struggle for the love of Herbert Marshall. Others in the cast of this picture coming to the Cathay Theatre include Janet Beecher and Marjorie Rambeau.

First French Club Dinner Dance of New Year

For the first dinner dance of the New Year at the French Club on Saturday the entertainment programme will comprise all those numbers which have met with the highest approval during the past eight weeks. The Astor Trio have been exceedingly popular whenever they have appeared and Mlle. Bobinina is one of the most talented artistes ever to come to Shanghai and her ballet dancing is a sheer delight. Al Petro scored an instantaneous success with his gypsy dances and Mlle. Antares and her partners are well known to French Club members.

Special numbers both classical and jazz will be featured by Bershadsky and his French Club Orchestra.

The entertainment programme is as follows:—

1. Adagio .....Trio Astor
2. Variation .....Tschaikovsky
   Mlle. Helen Bobinina
3. Gypsy Dances .....Al Petro
4. Passadoble Mlle. Antares and Partners
5. Toupis (The Top) Mlle. Helen Bobinina

The dinner dance commences at 8.30 p.m. and it is definitely advisable to reserve tables.

David Niven's Cinematic Future in America

Hollywood has accustomed itself to the English accent, although not a few English actors more or less acclimatized in Hollywood have made certain concessions to the American idiom. The speech of Ronald Colman, Herbert Marshall and H. D. Warner is not exactly what it was when those actors originally left England. But there is one English actor who has made no concession of this sort and that is Mr. David Niven. Mr. Niven has played more than one rôle in a distinguished manner and will be remembered as one of those who started the flighty career of Fran Dodsworth when Ruth Chatterton played that part.

Now this very English actor seems to be destined for a star position by Mr. Samuel Goldwyn. His first starring part will be that of Raffles, the elegant burglar who played for the Gentlemen at Lords in the daytime. Raffles has already been played on the screen by Ronald Colman and it is possible that Goldwyn intends David Niven to take Colman's place now that the latter actor's contract has expired.

After "Raffles," Niven will appear as the principal character in "Colonel Rowan of Scotland Yard." This is a part which had been intended by Mr. Goldwyn for Ronald Colman. His thoroughly English career will be well after the heart and manner of Mr. Niven. It will be interesting to know what the public make of this slim and elegant actor with his decidedly clipped speech; if they detect in him a lack of masculinity or whether the charge of effeminacy lights here and there without any appreciable method.

Russian Light Opera

Kudinoff in "The Divorced Lady" will be at the Lyceum tonight.

New Chinese Play

"Western Chamber" Not So Well Liked as "Lady Precious Stream" Production

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"The Western Chamber," perhaps the most famous of the great Mongol dynasty age of Chinese drama, which was produced this week at the Little Torch theare in Knightsbridge, has not had as good a press as "Lady Precious Stream" and cannot, I fear, expect anything like the same run. Commenting on its lack of action "The Times" says:—

There is a danger that the modern response to extreme simplicity begins fatally to weaken during the second act of this play. Responsiveness might be easier to keep fresh if the acting did not automatically burlesque the romance.

The "Daily Telegraph" says:—

The quaint charm of Chinese dramatic idiom is already familiar to London theatregoers; and for one of them, at least, a little quaint charm goes a long way.....Once you have accepted and enjoyed the unusual conventions, and realized the delicacy and beauty of some of the lyrical passages, you have left only a long-developing love-story, conventional and artificial as any of the interminable European romances of the troubadour.

The explanation is, perhaps, that "The Western Chamber" is far too difficult for Western players. In "Lady Precious Stream" you have many different scenes, considerable action, and emotions appropriate to each. This is easier for the actors and, if they do not behave as Chinese would in the same circumstances, the effect for the audience is not impaired.

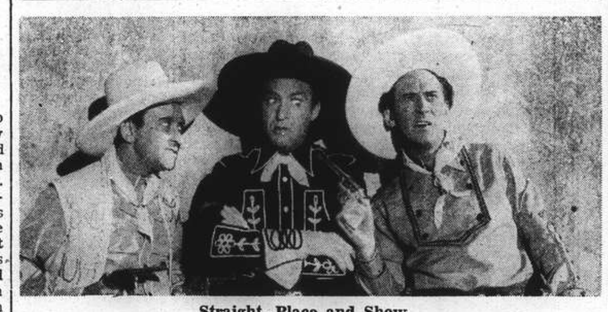
Play's Weaknesses

In "The Western Chamber" we have only the instantaneous flashing into mutual passing of Ching and Ying Ying, and the manœuvres of the incomparable maid Hung Niang to defeat Ying Ying's haughty mother and bring them together.

Anyone who has read Mr. Hsiung's translation, published by Methuen three years ago, knows how wonderfully the interest is sustained, and the whole play glows with life. But how many readers know how a Chinese youth and maiden behave when in love? I don't see how an English actor and actress can be expected to make Chang and Ying Ying convincing and thus the lovely speeches put in their mouths sound artificial or even comic.

Another difficulty is that the many exquisite lyrics, sung of course on a Chinese stage, are only recited here. This deficiency makes one realize how important the lyrics are to carry the monotony of speech and intensify the atmosphere of passion on which the play depends. In all other respects the production is very graceful and the costumes specially made in Shanghai under the direction of Mr. Mei Lan-fang are superb.

John Carradine and Lionel Atwill have been added to the cast of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's "Hound Of The Baskervilles," which 20th Century-Fox will bring to the screen. Richard Greene and Anita Louise will have the romantic leads in this production and Basil Rathbone will be Sherlock Holmes, with Nigel Bruce playing the Dr. Watson role.



Straight, Place and Show

The Ritz Bros inherit a race pony and the fun begins—with Richard Arlen, Phyllis Brooke and George Barbier. Soon at the Grand.

Russian Light Opera's "The Divorced Wife"

What promises to be one of the outstanding hits of the Russian Light Opera's season, "The Divorced Wife," more commonly known to non-Russian music-lovers as "The Girl in the Train," will be presented tonight in the Lyceum Theatre, under the production of Seroff.

The company are note-perfect and with the spirit of the Russian Christmas in the immediate offing, have "gone all out" to do something really fine. In the leading feminine roles will be found Bitner and Zorich, both favourites with Shanghai audiences, while as comedians Rosen and Valin have found parts to their peculiar liking. Kudinoff plays the romantic lead, with Tomsky in support.

Seroff, in addition to producing, has prepared several dance numbers in one of which he and Manjelei will have the motivating roles.

The scheduled performances in the Lyceum Theatre are tonight, Saturday and Sunday.

"The Swan Lake"

The new production of Le Ballet Russe "Le Lac des Cygnes," music by Tschaikowsky, has aroused a considerable interest amongst the Shanghai public, and will be presented in the Lyceum on January 12, 14 and 15. The very successful performances by the same roupe of the ballet "Don Quixote" is still well remembered and everyone is looking forward to his new show of the Russian Ballet which by its magnitude, symphony, gorgeous costumes, beautiful scenery and accomplished dancing is promised to be a new *chef-d'oeuvre* of Le Ballet Russe accomplishments.

Almost two months of daily rehersals have been spent in preparing this ballet. A large cast of dancers *sur les pointes* should enchant with dances of Swans in the second act. Audrey King, the English ballerina, will have an exceptional opportunity to display her technique, grace and charm. Of outstanding interest will be the Mazurka danced by Baranova and Sokolsky, "Pas de trois" by Yanover, Antares and Vorobieva, "Pas Classique" by Baranova, Bobinina and Wiener and Spanish dance interpreted by Larskaya, Lissner and Kniazeff.

Shevlugin should be at his best as the premier-danseur and Prince infatuated with Odette, the beautiful White Swan (Audrey King). The ballet is rich with most diversified dancing and acting, whilst the symphonic music of Tschaikowsky is alone a sufficient premise of a most enjoyable evening.

A special matinee will be also given on January 15, when children will be admitted at reduced prices, which parents should note.

Kreutzer Recital at the Lyceum Tomorrow

Under the direction of A. Strok, Leonid Kreutzer, concert pianist of note, will appear in the Lyceum tomorrow night in the first of his two Shanghai recitals. His programme consists of Händel's Organ Concerto in G Minor, Beethoven's Sonata C-dur, Op. 53 (Waldstein) C major, Schumann's Etudes Symphoniques and 24 preludes from Chopin.

Mr. Selznick and His Scarlett

"Gone Before the Wind" to Go Before the Cameras Early This Month

Very soon "Gone With the Wind" goes before the cameras, writes Bosley Crowther to the New York "Times." There is a piece of news to make the welkin ring and set the Southern hills to rocking with echoes of the rebel yell. For perhaps no cinematic constummation has been so devoutly wished by the American movie-going public—nor so patiently awaited—as that which Producer David O. Selznick now solemnly avers will positively be inaugurated early this month. Of course, people have heard that one before.

But just who Scarlett O'Hara may be is still in the lap of the gods. Literally thousands of actresses have been interviewed for the role. Three or 400 of those have been given readings. But—contrary to the generally circulated impression—only 20 or so of the boiling have actually been screen-tested in black and white and even fewer than that in colour. And Mr. Selznick confessed that he was still not completely satisfied with any of those tested to date.

"I still hope to give the American people a new girl as Scarlett," said Mr. Selznick, "a girl whom they won't identify with a lot of other roles. But to find an unknown actress who has the talent for it is almost impossible. And to find an actress of sufficient experience who is, at the same time, convincingly young—well, that's also a job. But we've got to find somebody soon."

Mr. Selznick is sensitive to the fact that a great many people have very definite ideas about Scarlett and very rigid specifications which the actress who takes the role must fit. Indeed, there are perhaps some unreconstructed Southerners who would ultimately acknowledge none other than a true Dixie belle as the genuine O'Hara. But Mr. Selznick is prepared to face them.

Faithful Translation

"We have done a very faithful job of translation," he said. "And I am confident that we will satisfy the public if we can give it the same Scarlett in the film version that it has discovered in the book.

"After all," he continued, "I have had pretty good success in the past with translations of well-beloved works. As a matter of fact, I was in much the same spot, when I set out to make 'David Copperfield,' because then I had to consider the critical English public, which—if anything—was worse.

"But I have always felt differently from most producers (who shall be nameless) about translations. For one thing, I don't believe in reconstructing a story. I believe, if there are faults in construction, it is better to keep them than to try to change them round, because no one can certainly pick out the chemicals which contribute to the making of a classic. And there is always the danger that, by tampering, you may destroy the essential chemical.

"No, the biggest job in adapting a well-beloved work is that of getting it down to the length of a feature film. And I have discovered that the public will forgive you for any number of omissions—particularly of subordinate material which is not directly connected with the main plot—but it won't forgive you for deliberate changes. For that reason I have found it best to make the bridging scenes which span the omissions as suggestive of original scenes as possible. That is, by picking up dialogue and even phrases from other parts of the book and using such to construct the bridging scenes, the audience is given the illusion of seeing and hearing that with which they are already familiar.

"In the same way, it is easy to condense a subordinate character into one or two lines, if his most characteristic speeches are given him. In 'Copperfield,' for instance, we trimmed Barkis down to 'Barkis is willing' and one other line, which happened to be a chapter head. And yet the readers who knew and loved Barkis didn't feel that they had been cheated out of him."

The same technique has been followed with "Gone With the Wind," said Mr. Selznick. And the ending will be actually the same as it is in the book—with emphasis through the picture that Scarlett suffers despair and disillusion out of which she is able to find eventual peace.

Mr. Selznick declined to estimate just how much money has been spent on "Gone With the Wind" already—in addition to the $50,000 which he originally paid for the picture rights. But he said he expected it to stand him close to $2,500,000 when completed. This means, he said, that the picture will have to gross about $4,000,000 to show a profit. But withal, he thinks it worth the gamble.

Harry Sherman, producer of the "Hopalong Cassidy" pictures for Paramount release, recently announced tentative plans for producing a picture based on the life story of Al Jennings, reformed Oklahoma bandit, now in Hollywood. The producer declared that if he makes the picture it will carry a budget of not less than $750,000 and will employ nearly 1,000 people.

Waltz Time Used

Jazz, hot or tepid, is supposed to be the chief musical love of film audiences, but jazz does not have all its own way even in the cinema. The waltz retains its magic. "The Blue Danube" is still as popular as "The Symphony in Blue." Film producers know this and consequently the waltz is never entirely laid by. Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer evidently know it for they have spent a great deal of money and pains on 'The Great Waltz." which tells more or less accurately something of the life story of Johann Strauss, his wife and Carla Donna, a famous operatic singer of his day.

The Viennese waltz king is played by Fernand Gravet, his wife by Luise Rainer and the opera singer by Militza Korjus. The picture is spectacular as well as expensive and those responsible for the music have done everything possible to suggest the irresistible lilt of the true Viennese waltz. The general artistic merit of the picture is guaranteed by the fact that it is being directed by Duvivier.

Return of the Horrors

Warner Brothers have engaged Boris Karloff to appear in "The Return of Doctor X," with Claud Rains. This is founded on what appears to be a very disagreeable story about an animal trainer who is able to hypnotize his animals so that they commit murder. It seems a pity that producing companies should have returned to this means of attracting the less discriminating audience. It is true that in the "Cabinet of Doctor Caligari" and "The Student of Prague" in the silent days certain German directors were able to combine horror with artistic form, but even this vehicle represented doubtful policy.

In England, such pictures as these receive a conditional licence and children are not permitted to see them. By this means their worst effects are prevented, but horror for horror's sake must have undesirable results even in adult audiences. One hopes that this new attempt at stimulating hysteria will not be so successful that companies will be encouraged in its persistence.

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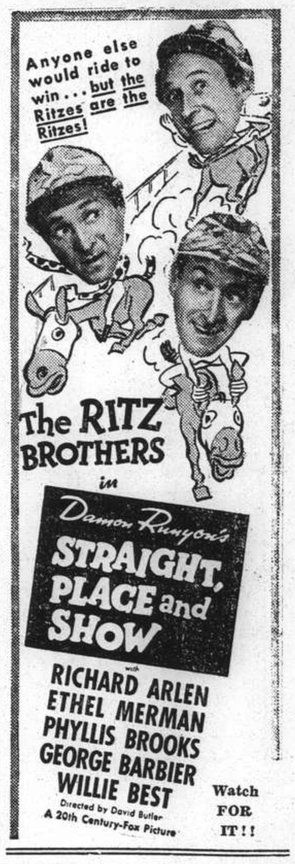

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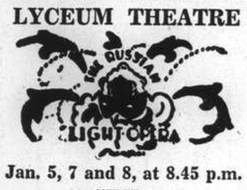

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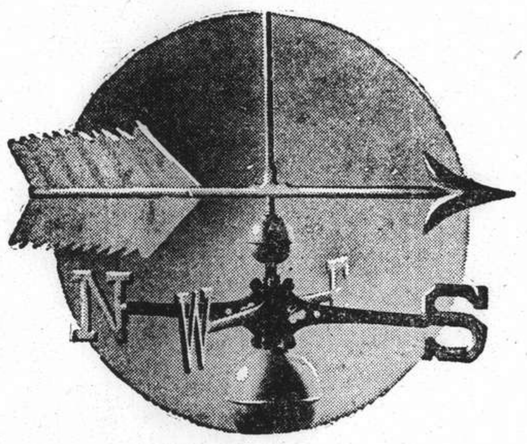

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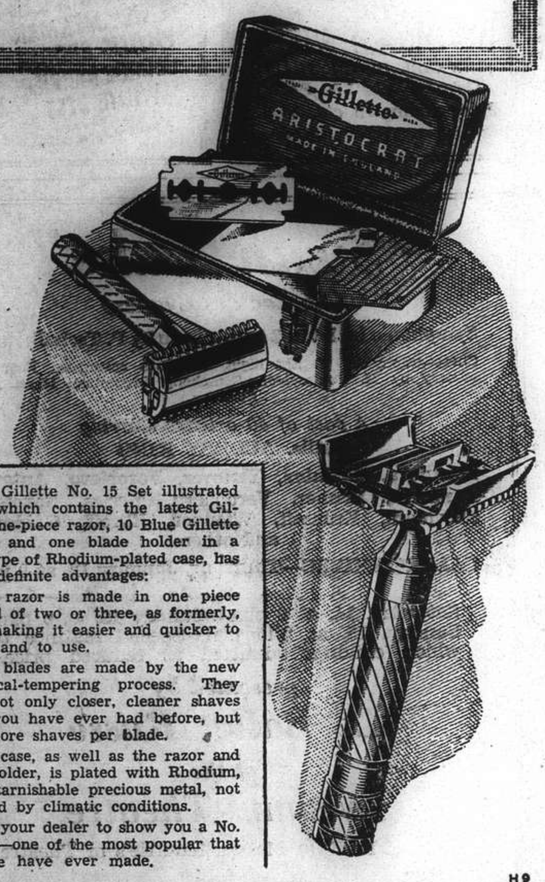

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DEATHS

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KIRBY.—On Wednesday, January 4, 1939, suddenly at his residence, Shanghai, Robert Wardle Kirby, aged 46 years, of the Shanghai Dockyards, Ltd. Removed to the parlours of the International Funeral Directors, 207 Kiaochow Road. Funeral services will be announced later.

IN MEMORIAM

TSE.—In ever-loving memory of our dear father, the late Mr. Tse Tsok Kai, who passed away on January 5, 1937. Frank, Gwendolen, Sum, Shing, Kin and Hung. -106

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RAILWAY RIGHTS

The report of the Nanking-Shanghai Railway for the year ending June 30, 1937, has now been issued, and a perusal of its contents shows what a tragic blow has been given to a remarkably promising undertaking. The revival of trade in the early part of the year under review had become apparent, and with it the fortunes of the railway prospered to such an extent that the revenue for the year amounted to $17,009,928 and consequently exceeded that of all previous years. Indeed there was every reason to believe that, with the expansion of Nanking, and the national programme of railway development, a higher level of earnings had been established. The general feeling of optimism created by this state of affairs which existed in June, 1937, was in a very short while to be proved short-lived. With the opening of Sino-Japanese hostilities a deplorable condition came into being, and that after plans for further expansion had been prepared, and, in some instances, actually put into operation. With the advent of fighting around Shanghai the business of the railway was reduced to nothing, and even though there has been no fighting in this area for well over a year, whatever business which is now being conducted is neither for the benefit of the line itself nor those bondholders who have invested so much money in it. It is not even possible to compare the condition of the railway now with what it was in 1937 at the end of the financial year. The officials representing the bondholders are not allowed access to the railway for the purpose of ascertaining its present state, no information is available as to its earnings now that Japanese controlled passenger and freight traffic are being conveyed over the line, and in general the rights of the foreign investors in this promising undertaking have been completely ignored, and a very important third party interest disregarded. In this respect it might be emphasized that there is no earthly reason why British and foreign interests laboriously, honourably and legitimately built up in the last 90 years should be undermined and smashed up, just because the temptation presents itself to Japan to attack a weaker neighbour.

Yet that is what is being done. In the absence of that information, which would be available were the representatives of the bondholders given access to the line, it is impossible to say to what extent the line has suffered, and the security of the investors reduced. Nor is it possible to ascertain what it will be necessary to do in the future to restore the railway to its former position, but it must be quite clear that the damage which has been done, and repairs which will be necessary in the course of rehabilitation are important facts in connection with which the virtual owners of the railway—the bondholders—should be apprised as soon as possible. It is common knowledge that the representatives of the bondholders have made repeated requests to the Japanese authorities to be allowed to inspect the line. In each case that has been refused on the ground of "military necessity," that monotonous phrase which has been used to excuse so many infringements by the Japanese of their own undertakings. It has been suggested in some Japanese quarters that through the fortunes of war they have become proprietors of the line in question, a very simple adaptation of the doctrine of *vae victis* which cannot be accepted, and will undoubtedly be resisted if it is ever officially put forward. The property rights of the investors in the railways of China are just as real now as they were when the Chinese Government was in control of them. If the Japanese contend otherwise they will have admitted that, far from these present hostilities being justifiable under the high sounding phrases they are continually using, they have been engaged on nothing but a freebooting expedition. There should be no doubt about the British position with regard to their investments in the Nanking-Shanghai Railway and the others to which they have advanced the necessary money to bring them into being and to maintain them. The rights thus established are quite definite. The railways virtually belong to British interests until the large sums of money advanced have been repaid. To disregard that very patent fact, and to continue the present Japanese policy is to act contrary to the specific undertakings which the Japanese have repeatedly given.

The peculiarity of existing conditions in no way modifies that contention, for questions of principle are involved which can be subjected to no alteration. Naturally it may be asked what can be done to meet British requirements. The very first seems to be formal recognition of British rights in the matter. The second is the granting of permission of the representatives of the bondholders to ascertain the condition of their properties, and the third is undoubtedly the making of some sort of arrangement whereby those representatives should be allowed to resume their very important functions. With these three points as a basis it should be possible to come to some arrangement whereby the railway could be carried on under the supervision of those concerned under a temporary arrangement. That would be something in the nature of a compromise, and in all truth the situation is such as requires some solution of that nature. There are, naturally, other points to be considered, such as to what indemnification Japan is prepared to pay for the diversion of the line to its own uses. That is obviously a matter for future negotiation, but the present demands that the recognition of established rights should be made by meeting the above minimum requirements. And if they are met it will not necessarily mean that everything will be plain sailing in the future, or that the line will easily regain its former prosperity. The devastation which has been caused in the area which the line supplies must necessarily mean that the fortunes of the railway will depend upon the degree of rapidity with which rehabilitation can be brought about. That, however, should prove no obstacle to a temporary arrangement being come to between the Japanese authorities and the representatives of the bondholders, while the effecting of such an arrangement would be one of the best proofs of Japanese bona fides which is so frequently and so unconvincingly being claimed.

Prince Konoye Resigns

Though the world at large was only just recently prepared with forecasts of the possibility of a crisis in the Japanese Cabinet, the quick resignation of Prince Konoye will nevertheless come as a very considerable surprise. His decision which was announced yesterday was obviously made as a result of military and naval pressure, presumably led by the Home Minister, Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu, in favour of a totalitarian government under which the various parties would be combined into one national party. Prince Konoye's resignation comes at a most critical time. Japan's relations with other Powers, notably Great Britain and the United States have never been worse; she is being obliged to raise large sums of money to finance her military venture in China, and there is complete failure to be noted of any attempts to secure financial assistance from abroad. It is not to be expected that the new government when it is formed will modify the attitude towards third party neutrals in China which was taken up by Prince Konoye's Cabinet, and there is even the graver danger that it will be more recalcitrant than its predecessor. Should that prove to be the case, and the establishment of a totalitarian Government under complete domination of the military and the navy makes it very probable, Japanese foreign relationships with perhaps two exceptions may be regarded as certain not to improve. With regard to the other difficulties under which Prince Konoye's Cabinet was labouring it is pointed out that in a statement issued shortly after his resignation, Prince Konoye said that hostilities had reached such a stage in China where:—

> A concentration of our efforts should be made towards the creation of a new order which we shall firmly maintain.
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> It seems to me that to deal with this new situation it is necessary that we should seek the renovation of the people's mind by the execution of new measures to cope with the situation by a new Cabinet.

There are undoubtedly those who will find in that declaration indications of war-weariness amongst the population of Japan, which while it has not yet manifested itself in restlessness is apparently there for the Government to see. Should this last development follow the lines suggested, the last vestiges of democracy will have disappeared from Japan. The Diet will be an even less imposing figurehead than it has been up to the present, and will be completely reduced to nullity so far as its voice in the affairs of the nation are concerned, while civilian power which has been a waning factor for some time past will have been entirely eliminated. These developments should not be taken as revealing any very desperate state of affairs in Japan, for it has been plain to observers for some time past that the political manœuvres of the military and naval cliques have been directed towards their obtaining absolute ascendency in the government of the country. Ever since the commencement of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, and indeed long before that the tendency has been for the army and navy to acquire greater control over the Government, and it would now appear that complete success has been obtained. While the effect abroad may not be particularly happy, there can be little doubt about the wisdom of the move from the internal point of view, for a Government which is materially able to suppress opposition and criticism will probably last until something cataclysmic destroys it.

End of New Year

The wheels of commerce this morning begin to turn again, somewhat crankily for they have been stopped since last Saturday and will stop again next Saturday. The New Year holiday in Shanghai through the interposition of a Sunday has been a long affair, enjoyable to one section of the community and wearisome to another. Throwing cares to the wind, a stout fist has been thrust in the face of depression and defiance hurled at adversity in a series of celebrations which saw clubs, cafes and restaurants packed to overflowing and an expenditure of money on a scale disproportionate to the economic standards of the time. This, of course, is the real spirit of festivity for it comes once a year and it acts as a tonic on the communal system. As a break it is welcome for this is a period of the year when climatic conditions may better be resisted than by sitting at an office desk, but the holiday can be too long, and few will deny that this time it has been too long. It may be argued that there is little business doing and it is as well to close the office altogether than to sit there and do practically nothing. Not every firm in Shanghai will agree with this contention but the process of mercantile relaxation in Shanghai is so comprehensive and interdependent that it is difficult to resist it. The tempo is set by the banks and all must follow. It needed only a glance at the crowds in the banks on Saturday morning, where additional cashiers were added to cope with the rush, to realize the effect these long holidays have on the Shanghai public and the tremendous provision which must be made to cover such a period. What it means to the public is also reflected in the commercial world where a prolonged holiday means enforced idleness. There is no desire to introduce a "killjoy" spirit. Nor is there any desire to interfere with the year end routine of the banks, but at a future date consideration should be given to reducing these holidays to a more practical limit.

IN PARENTHESIS

Two Minutes

A school-teacher had set her class an essay on the Armistice. The following is an extract from the reply of a little girl:

"The Armistice was signed on November 11, 1918, and every year since then we have had two minutes' peace."

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Radio

"Is that you dear?" came his voice on the 'phone. "I'm afraid I won't be able to get home to dinner to-night, as I'm detained at the office."

"Yes, you poor dear, I quite understand," came her voice. "How you can get anything done at all with that orchestra playing is more than I can make out."

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The Messy Kind

A country woman went to the barracks to see her son. As his name was Smith it was difficult to locate him. A sergeant said to the woman: "There's a Smith in the officers' mess. I wonder if that's him?"

"Yes, that'll be 'im," said the woman.

"What makes you think so?"

"Well, 'e was always in some mess or another when 'e was at 'ome, so it's 'im right enough."

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"High-Powered"

A high-powered salesman applied for a position. The manager seemed impressed with the applicant.

"Have you plenty of perseverance?" he asked. "For to make a success of selling, perseverance is the main thing."

"When I start after a prospect," the salesman said with confidence, "that person is as good as sold. I'm amazed myself at the sales I make. Why, once I sold my wife a brand-new refrigerator when I knew I couldn't afford it!"

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Perpetual Loser

A visitor to Ireland was met at the station by Pat and a jaunting-car. He surveyed the steed doubtfully.

"That horse of yours doesn't look up to much, Pat," he remarked, as he mounted the vehicle gingerly.

"Arrah, yer honour, it's not poor, but just unlucky he is," replied Pat, shaking his head.

"Unlucky? How's that?"

"Well, 'tis like this, yer honour. Every mornin' I toss whether he has a feed o' corn or I have a glass o' whisky. An,' begorrah, he's lost for five mornin's runnin'!"

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Two Aspirins

A man in evening clothes was walking up the street early one morning, followed by a pink elephant, a mauve giraffe, ten red cats, and several dozen spotted mice. When he noticed this motley troupe he tried to wave them away, but they continued to trot along behind him.

He paused several times, looked back, and cried: "Shoo! all you lot." But the fantastic company crowded behind him, jostling each other and treading almost on his heels.

At last the man stopped dead, wheeled round, and said in a loud, fierce voice:

"Now, then, all of you—get this: if you don't go away and leave me alone, I'll take two aspirins and make you all disappear!"

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Heard in Court

Wife at Tottenham: My husband says he will give up drink on condition that I give up cooking.

Husband: I always look both ways before crossing a road. If my wife is with me I look twice.

Man: I did not think the policeman had come to arrest me. I thought he was just looking through the window to watch me eat my lunch.

Witness at Willesden: I let off some of the rooms and have some dodgy rents at the back.

Chairman: What do you mean by dodgy rents?—Well, sometimes they pay and sometimes they dodge it.

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Underground

Further to ours of the something inst. in re mysterious railway customs, let us draw our esteemed attention to the ticket-clipping system in London's Underground, says the Showman.

This is what really does puzzle Jasmine. She means that sometimes the man clips her ticket, and sometimes he doesn't. Well, she means to say, that's all right, but *why* one time and why not another time?

She can't see any *reason*, if you see what she means.

So, the other day, she summoned up her courage and asked one of the men straight out—you know—to his face.

She tells me that he said they ought really and truly to clip all tickets, but sometimes they simply didn't feel the urge.

At that Jasmine said, "Oh, I can't believe that! I mean I think you're teasing."

And the man said, "Well, if that's the way it is, you've hurt my feelings, and I'm not saying any more."

An official of the L.P.T.B., whom I approached on Jasmine's behalf, had nothing to say except that it was part of the system, and that he had no idea why the tickets were clipped at all.

THE WEATHER

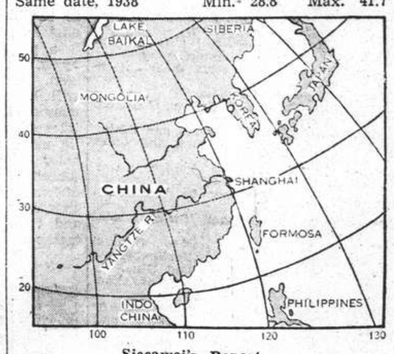
Temperature near Holy Trinity Cathedral Shanghai 24 hours ending 7 p.m.:—

Yesterday	Min.	37.0	Max.	41.5
Same date, 1938	Min.	30.0	Max.	41.0

Rainfall .05

Temperature at Siccawei:—

Yesterday	Min.	39.4	Max.	44.2
Same date, 1938	Min.	28.8	Max.	41.7



Siccawei's Report

State on the morning of the 3rd:—Anticyclone over north-east China, Korea and west Japan. Depression crossing Kiangsi east-north-eastward. North-easterly to south-easterly winds along the China Coast. Overcast weather with snow in the north: rainy in our regions.

State on the morning of the 4th:—Overcast and cold weather. North-westerly wind. Rather normal and rising pressure.

Probabilities, 4.30 p.m. yesterday:—Fine weather and cold wave with strong to very strong monsoon around Shantung. Overcast to cloudy in places and colder weather with strong monsoon over our regions, the Eastern Sea and Formosa. Rainy in the south.—Siccawei Observatory.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

To The King's Daughters' Society

In memory of Mrs. A. Wheen:—

Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Wolfe	$10.00
Mr. and Mrs. J. Munro	$ 5.00
Mr. and Mrs. Chalkin	$ 5.00

To The Salvation Army

In memory of Mrs. A. Wheen:—

Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Riddick	$10.00
Mrs. E. D. Schafer	$ 5.00

Civilization Must Be Defended

President Roosevelt Warns U.S. Against New Influences Working Against Democracy in Special Message to Congress

Washington, Jan. 4.

PRESIDENT Roosevelt addressed Congress today on the state of the nation. He referred to previous occasions when he advised Congress of the disturbance abroad and the need of putting one's own house in order. The President declared:

"I face the storm signals from across the seas. A further warning is necessary at the opening of this 76th Congress. A war which threatened to envelop the world in flames has been averted but it has become increasing clear that peace is not assured. Storms from abroad directly challenge the three institutions now, as always, indispensable to Americans. The first is religion, which is the source of the other two—democracy and international good faith.

"In modern civilization all three complement each other. Where freedom of religion is attacked, the attack has come from sources opposed to democracy. Where democracy is overthrown, the spirit of free worship has disappeared. And where religion and democracy have vanished, good faith and reason in international affairs have given way to strident ambition and brute force.

"An ordering of society which relegates religion, democracy and good faith between nations to the background, can find no place within it for ideals of the Prince of Peace. The United States rejects such an ordering and retains its ancient faith.

Defence of Civilization

"There comes a time in the affairs of men when they must be prepared to defend, not only their homes, but the tenets of faith and humanity on which their churches, governments and their very civilization are founded.

"The defence of religion, democracy and good faith between nations is all the same fight. To save one we must now make up our minds to save all. We know what might happen to us of the United States if the new philosophies of force were to encompass other continents and invade our own. We, no more than other nations, can afford to be surrounded by enemies to our faith and our humanity.

"We propose to do our share in protecting from storms from any quarter of this hemisphere an ideal of a democratic government and peoples functioning together in mutual respect for peace.

"This does not imply that the American republics will dissociate themselves from nations in an other contintent. It does not mean that the Americas are against the rest of the world.

"We stand on our historic offer to take counsel with all other nations to the end that aggression between them may terminate and the race for armaments cease and commerce be renewed."

Weapons of Defence

The President proceeded that if any Government, bristling with implements of war, insists on policies of power, weapons of defence will give only safety.

He declared that God-fearing democracies of the world cannot evermore let pass, without effective protest, acts of aggression against sister nations—acts which automatically undermine all of us.

"We learned the old, old lesson," continued the President, "that the probability of an attack is mightily decreased by the assurance of an ever ready defence."

President Roosevelt said he would send a special message to Congress in a few days, recommending measures for adequate defence.

"If another form of Government can present a united front in an attack on democracy," the President continued, "the attack must be met by a united democracy.

"Such a democracy can and must in the United States.

"Never have there been six years of such far-flung preparedness in the history of the United States.

"And all this has been done without any dictator's power of command, without conscription of labour, confiscation of capital, concentration camps and without a scratch on the freedom of speech, freedom of the press or the rest of the Bill of Rights."—Reuter.

Major Issues Listed

Washington, Jan. 3.

It was increasingly apparent today that Congress is aiming for a decisive test on modification of New Deal policies, notably the National Labour Relations Act and the W.P.A. Presidential control of spending also may be challenged, if utterances of several influential Congressmen today could be taken as an accurate indication.

The major issues facing Congress are these:

1. Amendment of the Labour Relations Act to give the employer a better standing.
2. Enecting of economies in relief administration.
3. Reconsideration of the President's governmental reorganization bill which was rejected by the 75th Congress.
4. Changes in existing neutrality legislation to give the President greater discretionary powers in dealing with aggressor nations.

The President has consolidated his strength in Congress through the re-election of staunch New Deal supporters as majority leader in the Senate and speaker in the House. Senator Alben Barkley, Democrat of Kentucky, has been re-elected leader of the Senate majority, and Mr. William Bankhead, Democratic Representative from Alabama, was re-elected Speaker of the House.

Big Budgetting Problem

President Roosevelt's budget subcommittee this week will bring up the Government's fundamental fiscal problem whether the United States can continue to operate indefinitely on a deficit in which the Government consistently spends billions of dollars annually more than it collects in taxes.

The forthcoming budget is expected to show expenditures of $9,000,000,000 for the current fiscal year with an income of approximately $5,000,000,000, it was understood today. Hence the Government faces a $4,000,000,000 deficit with prospects of another heavy deficit for the forthcoming fiscal year.

Regardless of tax and budget developments, the national debt will total $40,000,000,000 or more within six months, which is an increase of about $17,000,000,000 since President Roosevelt entered the White House.—United Press.

Communist, Nazis Active in U.S.

Dies Committee Seeks More Funds; Alarming Report Sent Congress

Washington, Jan. 4.

All seven members of the Committee Investigating Un-American Activities in the United States today signed a report to Congress asking for $150,000 to prolong for two years the current inquiry into the activities of Communist, Fascist and Nazi groups in the United States.

The committee, headed by Mr. Martin Dies, Democratic Representative of Texas, reported that Communists had used Works Progress Administration writers' and theatre projects to disseminate class hatred and alleged that important Government officials, including the Secretary of Labour, Miss Frances Perkins, and the Secretary of Interior, Mr. Harold Ickes, had sought to "hamstring" the committee's investigation.

The report said Miss Perkins, who has been threatened with impeachment by several Congressmen, failed to enforce rigorously the deportation laws, thereby encouraging much subversive activity and disregard for law and order. Mr. David Saposs, chief economist for the National Labour Relations Board, was characterized in the report as "either a Communist or a Communist sympathizer."

Fascist, Nazi Activities

Congress was informed that the Italian and German consuls in the United States engage in Fascist and Nazi propaganda and are linked with subversive activities. Nazi agents, the report said, have penetrated into aeroplane factories and navy yards and obtained "direct possession of secret plans for the construction of United States battleships of the latest type."

German officials, the report said, plan a strictly American division of the German-American Bund and "if this plan is carried out, a merger of a number of minor subversive forces in this country may be expected under swastika leadership."

The report said the committee's investigation had "only scratched the surface" of subversive activities being carried on in the United States, in many instances under direct instructions from abroad.

Congress was told that Communists were "soaring from within the major political parties and in the next two years will concentrate much of their efforts on the formation of a national farm-labour party which it will seek to dominate."

German Bund Strength

The report estimated the German-American Bund has 25,000 active members, with another 100,000 who attend meetings at irregular intervals. The Bund, it was said, could raise 5,000 storm troopers who could be augmented by "detachments of Italian Black Shirts and Silver Shirts." Ukrainians, White Russians and several other groups were said probable allies of the Bund.

"These Nazi activities in the United States," the report said, "are traceable to and linked with Government-controlled agencies in Nazi Germany and it is not far from reasonable to suppose that unless they are checked immediately, the American Nazi force may cause great unrest and serious repercussions in the United States."

Congress was informed that the Italian Black Shirt organizations have 10,000 members in the United States. An additional 200,000 persons probably are under the influence of this Fascist nucleus, the report said.—United Press.

Fierce Hurricane in Black Sea Takes Toll

Hundreds of Small Sea Craft Smashed Up

Istanbul, Jan. 4.

There have been many casualties, and heavy damage has been caused by a terrific hurricane which is sweeping the Black Sea.

Twenty-two members of the crew of the Turkish freighter Millet are reported to have been drowned, and numerous other seamen are missing, and are feared lost. The storm raged most fiercely near Heracles, where thirteen large cargo vessels were driven aground, out of control, in a dangerous position. Smaller sea craft were smashed and swamped.—Reuter.

Dead from Jose Luis Diez Landed

Gibraltar, Jan. 4.

It is reported from Cadiz that ten dead sailors, and several wounded, from the Republican destroyer Jose Luis Diez, were landed there yesterday by the Nationalist minelayer Vulcano which is said to have been damaged in the engagement between the Jose Luis Diez and several Nationalist warships, when the destroyer was attempting to steal out of Gibraltar.—Reuter.

Canadian Minister to Japan Resigns

Ottawa, Jan. 4.

The resignation of Mr. Randolph Bruce, Canadian Minister to Japan, is officially announced. The appointment of a successor will be delayed.—Reuter.

Washington to Foster Firmer Policy Abroad

Public Opinion to Be Cultivated for Resisting Attacks

Washington, Jan. 3.

The declaration advocating an embargo upon Japanese products, made yesterday by Senator Key Pittman, Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, was regarded here as indicating that the Administration was decided to resist by all means those nations which seek to change the international situation.

"All means," observers added, included the possible rupture of Japano-American diplomatic relations but not outright war. They interpreted the words "change the international situation" as meaning attempts to violate treaties, carry out military conquests or foment troubles inside other countries.

Politicians emphasized that Senator Pittman's remark—that any eventual declaration of war by Japan against the U.S. would not have grave consequences upon the latter, which fact also applied to the Reich, Senator Pittman's statement was taken here as an indication that Government leaders are ready to combat the theory that too rigourous measures against the dictatorships would lead to war. The Administration will now pursue a campaign to educate the public and convince the masses that the risks of war are practically negligible because of the might and geographical position of the United States, it was added.

Democracy Must Be Defended

The duty of the United States is to maintain the fundamental principles of democracy and international order with all the resources they can command, the Administration is expected to tell the people. President Roosevelt, competent observers added, appears decided to continue his task of "psychologically mobilizing" the U.S. against the totalitarian States—and the greater portion of public opinion is supporting him.

With regard to Spain, for example, partisans of the Nationalists are losing ground and even the Catholics are divided. Movements are gaining momentum not only to provide food for the Republicans but also to lift the embargo on arms destined for Spain.

Similarly, public opinion approves the grant of credits to China.

Furthermore, details of the naval programme providing for the reinforcement of the Guam base are considered to be symptomatic of a will to "prepare the United States and her distant possessions against any Japanese attack should the measures advocated by Senator Pittman be applied."

Congress's reaction, however, remains unpredictable. Isolationist elements, though not as large in number as before, are still powerful and it is expected that the test will come when the Neutrality Act is brought up for discussion, for it is still the stumbling-block in the way of the United States' new foreign policy.—Havas.

Three By-Elections Pending in England

Feeling Strong In East Norfolk on Farm Policy

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 4.

Of three by-elections now pending, namely, in East Norfolk, Ripon and Holderness, special interest centres on the first, where feeling is so strong over the Government's agricultural policy that the Minister of Agriculture, Mr. W. S. Morrison, was refused a hearing at a meeting there a few days ago.

The Conservative Central Office is backing the National Liberal Candidate, Mr. F. Medlicott, who has pledged his support of the Government whole-heartedly. The local Conservative Association, however, containing a large number of farmers, favours the local Conservative candidate, J. F. Wright, whose support of the Government, is qualified by his strong opposition to its agricultural policy.

This split in the ranks of the Government Party, gives the Labour candidate, Mr. N. R. Tillett, good prospects for capturing the seat, it is stated.—Reuer.

Wife of German Envoy Leaves America

New York, Jan. 4.

Frau Hans Dieckhoff, wife of the German Ambassador to the United States, sailed for Europe today in the liner Europa to join her husband, who was recently recalled to Germany. Her daughter has been left at school in Washington. Frau Dieckhoff's name did not appear on the Europa's passenger list, but officials of the company confirmed that she had sailed.—Reuter.

President Roosevelt Delivers Annual Message

President Roosevelt faces one of the stiffest battles of his career in Congress, newly assembled. Here he is seen, pictured against an engineering background, thanking the workmen for their efforts on the nearly completed Chickamauga Dam of the Tennessee Valley Authority.

Gang Seized Off Columbia Road After Gun Battle With Police

Japanese, However, Retain Most of Suspects and One Pistol; May Be December 28 Bandits

MEMBERS of the Settlement Police who had worked tirelessly, day and night, to track down the gangs operating brazenly in the Western district, struck yesterday afternoon and arrested six men and three women at a hut about 200 yards from Columbia Road. The arrests followed a lively exchange of shots in which, however, no-one was wounded. The bandits threw two or three pistols into a creek, and by dusk the Police had recovered one of these. It was an automatic which had been stolen from the S.M.P. themselves.

One of the men arrested was a suspect who had been seriously wounded twice off Tunsin on Monday evening. This man, with bullet holes in his head and chest, was lying under guard in the Police Hospital last night, still in a serious condition.

In addition, three other male members of the gang were arrested in other raids, conducted within the International Settlement proper. These three men, with the wounded suspect, were the only members of the band in the custody of the Settlement Police last night as the Japanese authorities would not hand the others over. The reason for this attitude on the part of the Japanese had not been explained at a late hour. It was felt in Council circles that the retention of the five men and three women by the Japanese gendarmes seriously hampered the investigation and prejudiced the chances of the Police to arrest further members of the important gang.

It was strongly suspected last night that those arrested belonged to the criminal organization responsible for the audacious robbing of foreign and Chinese motorists in Columbia Road during Christmas week.

Police Pick up The Scent

Settlement Headquarters detectives, having made exhaustive inquiries, learned early yesterday afternoon that the man who had been wounded in Monday's encounter off Tunsin Road was being nursed by his gangster comrades at a secret place in "Ta Tao" territory.

The hiding-place was in West Fah Wah Village, some 200 yards west of Columbia Road and not far from where armed bandits on the evening of December 28 waylaid and robbed a number of prominent British and American residents, taking money and expensive jewellery.

With the assistance of members of the Japanese Military Police, a party composed of Headquarters Detectives and the Reserve Unit went to the place. Detective Inspector H. C. Glover and Detective Sub-Inspector G. J. B. Pryde were in charge of the Headquarters personnel, wihle Supt. J. F. Lovell led the Reserve Unit. The lair of the gang was a straw-hut, difficult of access, overhanging the Fah Wah Creek.

Many Shots Fired

Shots rang out sharply from within the hut as the thirty or so policemen approached. The officers immediately returned the fire. Realizing that they were outnumbered and trapped, the gangsters dropped two or three pistols into the muddy creek, and awaited developments. By then a large number of shots had been fired by both sides, but apparently no-one had been hit.

The police closed in on the hut and arrested the occupants, including the man who had been wounded in Monday night's encounter off Tunsin Road. Those arrested were six men and three women. With the three arrested in the Settlement, a total of twelve suspects thus had been taken. The three were being questioned last night as the police were trying to learn in what crimes they had been concerned. A fourth lay in the Police Hospital in serious condition, and the remainder, though wanted by the police, were in Japanese hands.

Operations to recover the discarded pistols were started without delay yesterday afternoon. In the soft and deep mud below the gangster hut the detectives patiently delved and sifted until late. They found one of the pistols before darkness fell. It was a .38 calibre Colt and it was recognized to be a weapon stolen from the S.M.P. It was kept yesterday by the Japanese Military Police and therefore could not be examined by the S.M.P. ballistics expert with a view to identify it fully. Thus, it was felt, the police investigation received a second serious setback.

Another Tunsin Road Shooting

Four suspected Chinese bandits were chased and fired upon by members of the Settlement Police in the fields off Tunsin Road at about 1.30 o'clock yesterday morning, but escaped. The Police party, consisting of a foreign sergeant and three Chinese constables, were patrolling Tunsin Road, near the Ascot Riding School, when they heard a shot fired in a field, about 100 yards from the road.

The policemen started into the field and in the darkness glimpsed four men in the direction from which the shot had been heard. They ran after the suspects who took to their heels. The policemen fired altogether seven shots in an effort to halt the suspects, but the later escaped.

It is not believed that anyone was wounded.

Later an investigation was made by detectives from the Bubbling Well Station.

The episode transpired in the vicinity of the place where on Monday night members of the S.M.P. Reserve Unit engaged a gang of armed robbers and fired 69 shots at them from sub-machine guns and pistols, in response to a volley from the weapons carried by the gang.

Responsibility for Bombings Rejected

Japan Replies to American Note; Buildings Were Not Clearly Marked, Says Tokyo

Tokyo, Jan. 4.

Japan has rejected responsibility for the bombing by Japanese planes of thirteen various American properties in China which resulted in death and injuries to American nationals and heavy destruction to American-owned buildings, it was learned here today.

The Japanese Foreign Office disclaimed responsibility for the bombings in a note of December 30 on the grounds that the American properties involved had not been properly marked so as to have been clearly distinguishable as American-owned from the air.

The Japanese note also stated that some of the American properties damaged were adjacent to legitimate military objectives. The Japanese Government refused to assume responsibility for the inaccuracies of Japanese pilots in bombing such properties, the note said.

The note rejecting responsibility for the thirteen bombings was a reply to the American protest of December 29 in which the American Ambassador to Japan, Mr. Joseph Clark Grew, requested immediate replies to earlier representations against the bombings.

Revelation of the nature of the Japanese reply today led observers here to believe that Japanese-American relations were nearing an early crisis, particularly in view of the American note to Japan on December 31 which rejected any unilateral settlement Japan might make in China, reserved all American rights in China and invited Japan to enter into an international conference for the settlement of China problems.—United Press.

British Empire "City of Youth" to Be Created in Heart of London

Grounds of Crystal Palace Suggested as Site For Scheme for Centralizing Organizations

London, Jan. 4.

A £1,000,000 scheme to create a "City of Youth" in London, which would be the centre of all Empire youth organizations, is announced here. It is the outcome of the Empire Youth Rally, held in London at the time of the Coronation.

The plan is to build the "City" with its own threatre, library, dining and common rooms, with separate dormitory blocks for the various colonies and Dominions.

The Crystal Palace grounds are proposed as the site.

Earl Bessborough, representing Canada, is the chairman of the Executive Committee, and other members include Lord Lloyd, representing Great Britain; Viscount Stonehaven, representing Australia; Viscount Bledisloe, representing New Zealand; Earl Clarendon, representing South Africa; Lord Willingdon, representing India; Sir Charles Innes, representing Burma; Mr. Martin Lanigan O'Keeffe, representing Southern Rhodesia, and Mr. L. S. Amery, representing the colonies and dependencies.

The proposed "City" would accommodate a total of 2,000 students, and is planned to meet the needs of visitors from the Empire, and from foreign countries. The underlying aim of its activities, it is explained here, would be co-operation and service.

Efforts will be made immediately to raise the necessary £1,000,000. Half of this sum is needed for central buildings, and the rest for colonial and dominions dormitories. It is hoped to obtain £250,000 for the central buildings from public funds, and the remainder from individuals, national organizations, educational trusts and schools.

Regional committees are being formed in various dominions and colonies to further the scheme abroad.—Reuter.

Garden Bridge Closing A Mistake

The closing of the Garden Bridge on Tuesday night for nearly two hours to vehicular traffic which inconvenienced a number of drivers, was declared at yesterday's press conference to have been due to a mistake in the transmission of orders.

As before, the Garden Bridge will be closed during curfew hours, between 1 and 5 a.m. Similar conditions apply to the Szechuen Road Bridge. The Chapoo Road Bridge, which was opened to vehicular passenger traffic several days ago, will close at 7 p.m.

Italian Flag Torn Down in Tunis

French Premier Gives Pledge of Motherland To Defend Her Empire

Tunis, Jan. 4.

Tunisian and French demonstrators last night broke the windows of an Italian tailor's shop here, and tore down the Italian flag flying outside.

"As head of the French Government, I have come to tell you that the Mother Country stands by the Empire as the Empire stands by her," declared M. Edouard Daladier, the French Prime Minister, in a speech from here, broadcast throughout France yesterday.

He said that the day had come to seal indestructibly the union between France and her Empire. The Premier spoke with emotion as he added: "France brought you order, discipline and protection against brute force and tyranny. She has strength to assure your safety, and she is invincible. France is a peaceful country, already loaded with glory, and, in certainty of her own strength, is prepared to face all attacks and dangers.

"France will not allow herself, under any pretext, to be diverted from the task already undertaken by Tunisians and Frenchmen. On this African soil," M. Daladier declared, "must be created a human community, animated by that universal ideal which alone can save the world from slavery."

The Premier's speech was continually interrupted by cheers.

The Bey, in a speech, declared:—"You can be certain that all Tunisians will, if necessary, rally to France. I give you this assurance here."—Reuter.

Reserve Electrical Equipment Needed

Britain Prepared for Emergencies of War

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 4.

British electricity undertakings have decided that, beyond ordinary measures for air raid precautions, the provision of a national reserve of switch-gear transformers would be the most practical measure of precaution against a national defence emergency. Incidental equipment would also be provided, and would be held readily available for installation where required.

The reserve equipment would be under the administration of the Central Electricity Board. The cost of these measures is estimated at £3,000,000 sterling, and the Ministry of Transport have intimated that Parliament will be asked to undertake liability for half of this total. The Central Electricity Board is being authorized to borrow the remainder.—Reuter.

British Troops Flown To Trouble Centre

Two Jews Killed in Car Ambush Near Sodom

Jerusalem, Jan. 4.

It is officially stated that a total of 2,040 Arabs are at present being detained in concentration camps and "lock-ups" under the emergency regulations.

Two Jews were killed, and two injured yesterday, when a car was ambushed near "Ancient Sodom." Troops were transported to the spot by aeroplanes.

A Jewish supernumerary constable was shot dead while guarding groves near Rishonlezion. Searches by the military in Samaria resulted in the seizure of a quantity of firearms and ammunition.—Reuter.

Japan Cabinet Resigns; New Premier Appointed

Prince Konoye Says China Policy "Immovable"; Baron Hiranuma Appointed to Post

Tokyo, Jan. 4.

BARON Kiichiro Hiranuma, the 73-year-old President of the Privy Council, who has been mentioned as a strong candidate for the post of Premier in every Cabinet crisis that has occurred in recent years, was tonight summoned to the Imperial Palace at 9.42 p.m. by the Emperor to form a new Cabinet.

Baron Hiranuma succeeds Prince Konoye, who tendered the resignation of his Cabinet to His Imperial Majesty this morning. The new Premier, whose hobby is archery, is well known for his punctuality. Before being made President of the Privy Council in 1936, he served for ten years as its vice-president. He was vice-Minister of Justice in Prince Saionji's Cabinet, and attained ministerial rank in 1933, when he was made Minister of Justice.

After receiving Prince Konoye's resignation, the Emperor summoned Mr. Kurahei Yuasa, Lord Keeper of the Privy Seal, and sought his advice on the appointment of a new Premier.

Mr. Yuasa asked the Emperor to give him time to see Prince Saionji, last of the Genro, who is always consulted in times of national crisis. Mr. Yuasa left Tokyo by train early this afternoon for Okitsu, where Prince Saionji lives, and was expected back in the capital at 9 p.m., when he was to go immediately to the Imperial Palace to report to the Emperor.

The "Asahi" predicts that Prince Konoye will be appointed President of the Privy Council and simultaneously Minister without portfolio.

The "Asahi" also predicts that the following Ministers in the outgoing Cabinet will be given the same posts in the new administration:—

General Seishiro Itagaki .....War
Admiral Mitsumasa Yonai .....Navy
Mr. Hachiro Arita .....Foreign Affairs
Marquis Koishi Kido ..Public Welfare

The following Ministers, it further predicts, will be definitely "out":—

Mr. Sethin Ikeda .....Finance
Admiral Nobumasa Suetsugu .....Home Affairs
Count Yoriyasu Arima ....Agriculture
Mr. Ryutaro Nagai ....Communications
Mr. Chikuhei Nakajima .....Railways

The "Asahi" thinks it uncertain whether General Baron Sadao Araki, Minister of Education, and Mr. Yoshiaki Hatta, Minister of Overseas Affairs, will be reappointed.

Baron Kiichiro Hiranuma, *New Japanese Premier*

Baron Hiranuma, the "Asahi" believes, will ask the Minseito and Seiyukai parties to request their representatives to join his ministry.

"The Asahi" also believes that Mr. Harumachi Tanabe, formerly a privy councillor of the Manchoukuo Government, will be offered either some portfolio in the Cabinet or the post of Chief Cabinet Secretary.

The Stock Exchange re-opened today, following the holidays. Quotations slumped, due to the Cabinet crisis.

Servicemen to Keep Posts

Tokyo, Jan. 4.

Simultaneously with the resignation of the Cabinet, Mr. Akira Kazami, chief secretary of the Cabinet; Mr. Chu Funada, Director General of the Cabinet's Legislation Bureau, and Mr. Masao Taki, Chairman of the National Planning Board, tendered their resignations to Prince Konoye, it was revealed here today.

Prince Konoye, *Retiring Japanese Premier*

In its last meeting today, the Cabinet selected two candidates for Imperial nomination as members of the House of Peers. They were Mr. Shozo Murata, president of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, and Dr. Hozumi Tanaka, President of Waseda University. The Emperor approved the Cabinet's nominations, it was understood.

China Policy "Immovable"

Japan's policy for dealing with the conflict in China today was described by Prince Konoye as "immovable."

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Latest Exchange

London, Jan. 4.

"Spot" silver declined $\frac{1}{16}$d. while "forward" remained unchanged from yesterday's levels.

	Jan. 3	Jan. 4
London spot	21$\frac{1}{8}$d.	20$\frac{15}{16}$d.
" forward	20$\frac{7}{16}$d.	20$\frac{3}{16}$d.
" gold	150/0$\frac{1}{2}$d.	150/5d.

London/New York:

One pound	U.S.$4.6312	$4.6287
One U.S. dollar	51.822d.	51.850d.

—Reuter.

Britain Awakening To China Menace

Japanese "Three-Year New Asia Plan" Causes Increasing Concern

London, Jan. 4.

Indicative of the anxiety caused in Britain by an alleged Japanese intention to carry out a "Three-Year Plan" in connection with the creation of a "New Order" in the Far East, are the notes of alarm sounded of late in City quarters where a group of very active bankers and exporters has apparently resolved to exert pressure on the Prime Minister, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, in the China question, before it is too late.

In a letter to "The Times" published this morning, Mr. Lennox B. Lee, prominent English businessman and chairman of the Calico Printers' Association of Lancashire, says that England cannot afford to allow her best potential markets to become a Japanese preserve. Whereas in the past Japan had in theory at least, as in the case of Manchoukuo, allowed the policy of the "Open Door" and the Nine-Power Treaty to remain in operation, nothing of the kind is contemplated in pursuing its idea of a "New Asia." British capital investments in China amount to £300,000,000 and exceeds those of all other countries taken together, inclusive of Japan. Wheras in the past Britain could claim twelve per cent. share of the Chinese import trade, this had fallen in the first ten months of 1938 to eight per cent.

Past Experience Cited

The writer then proceeds to refer to what had been happening in Formosa and Korea where following the incorporation of these territories into the Japanese Empire the British trade had been reduced to less than one per cent. The same thing, he says, is going on in Manchoukuo and there are no grounds for supposing that there would be any difference in the five North China provinces and even in Central China if Japan should succeed in realizing her plans.

The "Daily Telegraph" adopts the same standpoint. A bloc formed of Japan, China and Manchoukuo would of necessity harm the interests of the Western Powers to an insufferable extent. Even German firms have already seen themselves obliged to withdraw from Manchoukuo and Anglo-American oil companies have been badly hit by the operation of the state control of the petroleum monopoly in Manchoukuo. Even if it is the case that the British trade has not been greatly affected by the events in China, this cannot be said of the British capital for excepting the Argentine no country had attracted more British capital than China. For this reason, Britain had in the last resort, greater economic interests in China than, for instance, the United States of America.

It is freely admitted by the writer of this article that the economic possibilities of the future East Asiatic bloc are extremely favourable for Japan which, while requiring only to a small extent to supplement her food supply by imports from those parts of the mainland under her control, would be able to obtain from China all her requisite raw materials.—Trans-Ocean.

Chinese Bank Notes in North Banned

Only F.R.B. Notes Allowed After March 9

Peiping, Jan. 4.

Circulation of Chinese bank notes issued during the Nationalist regime will be prohibited after March 9, a decree issued by the Ministry of Finance of the "Provisional Government" said yesterday. Notes of the Federal Reserve Bank will be the only legal tender for North China.

As a preliminary measure, all old bank notes will be subject to a further 30 per cent. discount of their face value effective on February 20. They are subject to a 10 per cent. discount at present.

The decree gives holders of old notes a 50-day period of grace to convert their notes into F.R.B. currency at the present ten per cent. discount rate which will remain effective until February 19.—Domei.

Jamaica Crowd Attack Police

Blind Man Accidentally Shot During Picnic

Kingston, Jan. 4.

The Jamaica Police were attacked by a crowd at Montagakay, in North-West Jamaica, yesterday, following a man's death in a struggle with the police at a labour demonstration.

The fatal struggle occurred while Bustamente, (Labour leader who figured prominently in the strike last June), was addressing a big crowd at a Boatman's Union picnic. Four policemen approached a man named Johnson, who was blind. In the ensuing struggle, a revolver went off, fatally wounding Johnson. The crowd, armed with sticks, threatened the police, and the latter withdrew, returning later with re-inforcements.

Meanwhile, on the eve of a threatened general strike, the newly-formed Shipping Association declared that they were making a firm stand, demanding a "reasonable day's work" for admittedly good pay.—Reuter.

Japanese Abducted By Chinese

French Consul Saves Official's Life But Protests Overridden

Hanoi, Jan. 4.

Overriding the protests of the French Consul stationed in Lungchow, Kwangsi, who was present, Chinese soldiers abducted Mr. Shusaku Shiomi, Chancellor of the Japanese Consulate-General here, near Langson at 10 o'clock in the morning on December 29, information reaching official sources here said today.

Mr. Shiomi, these official advices said, was seized by about thirty Chinese soldiers at a point 200 metres from the border within French territory. Flourishing revolvers, these Chinese soldiers bound the Japanese official and his Annamite chauffeur. They were about to shoot him when the French consul, who was passing by intervened. While his life was saved by the timely action of this French official, who talked with the Chinese officer in charge of the abducting party for several hours, Mr. Shiomi was taken into Chinese territory.

The Japanese official had left Hanoi for Langson early in the evening of December 28. After spending the night in the border town, he was turning his car around to return to Hanoi when he was abducted.

Born in Nara Prefecture in 1913, Mr. Shiomi graduated from the School of Foreign Languages in Osaka in 1935. He was a French student. After serving in Tokyo for a brief period, he was assigned to duty in Hanoi.—Domei.

New Oath to Be Taken By Soviet Soldiers

To Be Taken Individually With Signatures

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

Moscow, Jan. 4.

The text of a new oath to be taken by the entire Soviet Army on February 23, the twenty-first anniversary of the Army, is published in the Press today, according to the official news agency.

Instead of being taken orally and collectively by the Red Army, as has been done in the past, the new oath, according to the agency, will be taken individually and will be sealed by the personal signature of every soldier.

Under the oath, every militia-man solemnly vows to be an honest, disciplined and vigilant warrior of the Red Army, always ready on the order of the Workers and Peasants' Government to come out and defend his fatherland "and, as a warrior of the Workers' and Peasants Army, I pledge myself to defend it courageously skilfully, with dignity and honour and unsparing of life for the achievement of a complete victory over our enemies.'—Reuter.

Taxicab Strike Begins In New York

New York, Jan. 4.

The taxicab drivers strike was declared today with union leaders claiming 11,000 drivers would soon desert their cabs in protest against employers' refusal to negotiate a new 1939 contract. The first contingents went on strike when the day shift changed, forcing hundreds of cabs to remain in garages. The drivers are demanding 50 per cent. commissions, vacations with pay and removal of alleged racial discrimination on the part of employers. Their old contract expired on January 1.—United Press.

Duke of Windsor May Visit London

London, Jan. 4.

The Duke of Windsor will soon visit England alone to see his mother, Queen Mary, whose health is reported to be causing anxiety in the Royal Family, informed quarters revealed today. The Duke's trip, it was understood, will be made at the request of his brother, King George.—United Press.

THE CINEMA

"I am the Law"

John Lindsay .....Edward G. Robinson
Jerry Lindsay .....Barbara O'Neil
Paul Ferguson .....John Beal
Frankie Ballou .....Wendy Barrie
Eugene Ferguson .....Otto Kruger
Tom Ross .....Arthur Loft
Eddie Girard .....Marc Lawrence
Berry .....Douglas Wood
Moss Kitchell .....Robert Middlemass
Inspector Gleason .....Ivan Miller
Leander .....Charles Halton
J. W. Butler .....Louis Jean Heydt
Mrs. Butler .....Fay Helm

For several years now Hollywood has done the United States a great service by producing films that, from time to time, have depicted to the huge army of cinema-goers the rottenness and futility of gangsterdom and organized racketeering, and Columbia Pictures' current presentation at the Grand Theatre, "I Am The Law," is another of the same type. Directed solely against the numerous racketeering campaigns that hold sway in various parts of the States, this film is a brilliant exposé of the manner in which law and order can be upheld to produce a stranglehold on the large array of criminals conducting their nefarious depredations in the midst of law abiding and civic minded folk, provided those individuals victimized in their honest endeavours to earn a livelihood come forward to assist in testifying against their tormentors. Gangsters were and always will be a bunch of cowardly rats to whom not the slightest sympathy can be extended and this point is very forcibly hammered home in this excellent film. Mr. Robinson leaves his usually "tough" roles for that of a special prosecutor and he gives a masterly performance of a man dragged from his vacation to fight tooth and nail the scum that clogs the wheels of American home and business life. Mr. Kruger as the ostensibly cultured civic leader but, in reality, the master mind behind the racketeers also turns in an excellent portrayal.

An excellent coloured and seasonable cartoon and a short sports series help to round out a first-rate programme.—P.A.P.

Coffin Scene Again At No. 10

London, Jan. 4.

About one hundred unemployed men attempted again this morning to introduce a coffin into the Prime Minister's residence at No. 10 Downing Street. The police prevented them as they had done yesterday. The unemployed then paraded along the banks of the Thames with posters reading "Keep Fit On Fifteen Shillings a Week," this being a reference to the recent 'Keep Fit' drive in Britain.—Havas.

Robber Gangs Come Into Conflict

"Hijacking" Attempt Leads To Six Arrests

While running away with booty of cash and other valuables amounting to $600 which they stole from a former employee of the Shanghai Power Company living in Yangtszepoo, six robbers were waylaid on Tuesday morning in Lay Road by another gang of five robbers who made a futile attempt to seize loot.

There was a struggle in the street in which a member of the second gang named Kuo Sen-min was stabbed twice on the thigh when he bent down to open a case stolen by the opposing gang and he was later arrested in a hospital. Through his confession, the police succeeded in rounding up all the six men belonging to the first gang.

This interesting tale of what the Chinese term "black eats black," meaning robbers robbed by robbers, was told yesterday in the First Special District Court when six robber suspects were brought to the tribunal on a writ of detention. The police refrained from framing charges against them wishing to make more investigations. It was not revealed as to whether or not the police had recovered the loot.

The robbery was committed shortly after 5 a.m. when six men, who were only armed with two knives broke into the home of Hsu Fang-fu and after silencing all occupants with their weapons they searched and stole clothing, jewellery and cash which they put in a case. They escaped but when they reached Lay Road they met the other five robbers who thought that it meant good business as one of the six men carried a big case containing the loot.

Realizing that they were weak because they were not armed with modern weapons, the six men at first submitted to a "search" but as soon as they saw that none of the opposing gang carried pistols two of the six men began to stab the other robbers with knives. Members of the other gang became scared and ran away quickly leaving behind them a confederate bleeding profusely on the ground. The wounded man was seen by the police sometime later, in a hospital where he is recuperating and therefore he could appear in court yesterday.

Tapieh Chinese Said to Be Surrendering

No Fire Directed at Low Flying Japanese Planes

Their retreat cut off by the Japanese capture of the Wuhan cities, Chinese troops in northern Hupeh province, were surrendering to Japanese forces in the Tapieh mountain range area in increasing numbers, a Japanese Army spokesman claimed in Shanghai yesterday evening.

Up to the end of December, he said, 2,000 Chinese troops had surrendered at Hwangan, 3,000 at Lotien, and 800 at Macheng. All these units, consisting of Chinese regulars, surrendered with their equipment and ammunition, the spokesman stated.

Japanese army aircraft, reconnoitring over Chinese villages in the Tapieh range area at a low altitude, were not fired upon by Chinese troop concentrations sighted in those settlements, according to the spokesman.

This, he declared, was indicative of the low morale of the Chinese forces.

"Robber" Fired Upon, But No Robbery

Cry of "Jang Dau" Leads To Wounding of Chinese

The cry of "jang dau!" or "robbers!" at the intersection of Route de Zikawei and Route Prosper Paris last night caused an Annamite constable of the French Police to start a running chase after a suspected robber and fire two shots from his service pistol.

The man who was fleeing the scene of the supposed robbery was wounded in the right forearm, and halted. He was not a thief, however, and there had been no robbery. The other shot fired by the constable did not strike anybody.

The wounded Chinese was taken to hospital and treated. The incident occurred at 7.20 p.m.

Pacific Fleet Begin Naval Manoeuvres

Personnel Involves 53,000 Officers and Men

Los Angeles, Jan. 4.

Lighted only by blue battle lanterns, the United States Pacific Fleet steamed out of the harbour here before dawn today with war-time secrecy on the first stage of the big United States Naval manœuvres, which are to begin about February 13.

Seaplanes swept before the line of ships in search of theoretical submarines and mines.

The invading "White" fleet is commanded by Admiral E. C. Kalbfus and the defending "Black" fleet by Vice-Admiral Adolphus Andrews.

All units of the Fleet will be employed in attacking and defending under separate encounters by day and by night. Submarines and all types of aircraft will participate.

The personnel involved totals about 3,000 officers and 50,000 enlisted men.

The main Fleet is expected to return to the west coast early in June.—Reuter.

Mr. Maxton Leaves for South Africa

Mr. James Maxton, I.L.P. leader, and "stormy petrel" of the House of Commons, photographed on board the Warwick Castle at Southampton before he left for South Africa. Mr. Maxton is taking a health trip.

Japan Cabinet Resigns; New Premier Appointed

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It was established following Imperial approval of its draft provisions, he pointed out in a statement issued immediately after he had tendered the resignation of his Cabinet. This action was taken, he explained, because he felt that "a renovation" of the people's mind under a new Cabinet was necessary.

The hostilities in China, he declared, had reached a stage where "a concentration of our efforts should be made towards the creation of a new order which we shall firmly maintain. It seems to me that to deal with this new situation

Mr. H. Arita

it is necessary that we should seek the renovation of the people's mind by the execution of new measures to cope with the situation by a new Cabinet," he continued.

"The Empire's immovable policy to deal with the Incident has been established following Imperial approval. I feel it is time for me to resign from this important post. I feel unworthy of remaining at my post any longer."

Prince Konoye recalled that the hostilities in China had broken out soon after he had assumed the Premiership on June 4, 1937. "I feared I would be incapable of carrying out my task, but circumstances did not allow a change in Cabinets," he declared.—Domei.

Chinese Reaction

Chungking, Jan. 4.

Well-informed Chinese circles here are of the opinion that the resignation of Prince Konoye, the Japanese Premier, is due, among other causes, to the following facts:

1. Prince Konoye holds himself personally responsible for the failure of his statement of December 22 to produce the expected results; and
2. The Japanese political parties are making a desperate and final bid for existence.

They express the belief that Rightist elements will dominate the new Japanese Cabinet, probably intensifying the military campaign in China and closing the door to peace efforts. It is stated that as a result of secret negotiations between Prince Konoye and Mr. Wang Ching-wei, the Japanese Premier issued his statement on December 22, fully confident that China, through Mr. Wang Ching-wei, would respond.

Even if Mr. Wang Ching-wei could not secure complete Government backing, these circles assert, Prince Konoye thought a serious split within the Chinese Government would pave the way to a peaceful settlement.

They declare that Mr. Wang Ching-wei's lone and feeble attempt to respond to the statement and the prompt and drastic measures taken by the Chinese Government, together with the nationwide support of General Chiang Kai-shek's programme to continue the war of resistance, made the peace move of Prince Konoye and Mr. Wang Ching-wei a complete fiasco, which, in turn, aroused serious censure of the Premier's statement.

The proposal for a fusion of the political parties into a single National Party, these circles state, would mean an end to the Seiyukai and Minseito parties and while in past years they have surrendered everything to the militarists, they would make a desperate, though hopeless, fight when their own existence was threatened.

Chinese circles here forecast that the new Cabinet will be 100 per cent. Fascist in complexion, with the Army leaders in complete control.—Reuter.

Shipbuilding Academy For Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 4.

The Chinese Government has instructed the Ministries of Education and Communications jointly to make preparations, within three months, for the establishment of a National Chungking Commercial Maritime Academy to train men in navigation and shipbuilding.—Reuter.

Nationalists Claim Big Successes

Six Hundred War Planes Concentrated in Drive

Burgos, Jan. 3.

In twelve days of the Nationalist offensive on the Catalonian front, the Nationalists occupied 58 villages, 1,700 square kilometres of territory, took 21,186 prisoners and shot down 87 planes, the Nationalists officially announced tonight. The Republicans probably suffered 18,000 casualties, the Nationalists said.

Two wings of the Nationalist offensive force are now each 100 kilometres in a straight line from Barcelona, while the extreme right wing is 40 kilometres in a straight line from Tarragona.

Of the seven army corps prepared for the offensive drive, three groups, the Aragonese, Catalonian and Moroccan divisions, have still to go into action, the Nationalists said.—United Press.

War's Greatest Air Force

Hendaye, Jan. 3.

General Francisco Franco, leader of the Nationalists, today concentrated the civil war's greatest air force in an attempt to smash the resistance of the Republican lines in the Catalonian front.

Reports said he gathered at least 600 planes at the Segre River sector in a new effort to win the campaign without any further delay.

Republican officials, however, insisted that they were in good positions and were inflicting heavy casualties among the Nationalists.—United Press.

New Monster for War Invented in U.S.

Engineer Conceives Vast 1,000-ton Tank Crusher

Sheridan, Wyoming, Jan. 4.

Mr. Claude Byler, 50-year-old petroleum engineer, revealed today that he had notified the War Department of his invention of a 1,000-ton tank "which will run over trees as if they were weeds and will crush buildings like they were match boxes."

Mr. Byler said he hoped the monster would be constructed as an anti-war measure because of its "terrifying potentialities." "The tanks would stand the height of a five storey building and would be eighty feet in length," he said. "It would have no guns, but would be used to crush barriers. The tank would be operated by four 20-ton, 1,000 horse power motors and could reach a top speed of 100 miles an hour."—United Press.

M. Daladier's Tour To Tunis

More French Comment On Italy's Rights

Paris, Jan. 4.

The tour which the French Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, is making in France's Mediterranean possessions continues to occupy the attention of the French press.

"Excelsior" says: "We are obliged to say that the language of official commentators on the other side of the Alps is unworthy, in bad faith and strikingly lacking in tact. Those demonstrations which they describe as provocative have been provoked by themselves."

"Le Nouvelle," taking a stronger line, declares: "It is no longer either possible or permissible to permit any individual who is neither a Tunisian nor a Frenchman any privilege whatever. The power of Italians to claim such priyileges have been tolerated too long. Now they must come under common law since times have changed."—Reuter.

Mooney May Join C.I.O. After Release

San Francisco, Jan. 4.

Thomas J. Mooney, who is expecting to gain his release from prison soon, may rejoin "the ranks of labour" as a worker for the newly-named Congress of Industrial Organizations, he indicated today. California's famous former labour leader, convicted of the Preparedness Day bombing here in 1916, revealed his hopes of again becoming active in the labour movement after Mr. Culbert Olson, new California Governor, announced he would confer with Mooney on Saturday.—United Press.

Execution in Germany

Berlin, Jan. 4.

Capital punishment was meted out here today, when one Rudolph Szories of Leipzig, aged 43, was executed with the axe.—Havas.

Japanese Smash Shop Interior

Exuberant Pair Also Hit Policeman in Downtown Melee; Finally Subdued

Two Japanese in civilian clothes partly wrecked a small Chinese cigarette and exchange shop at 497 Szechuen Road last night, assaulted a Chinese traffic policeman and further resisted arrest when foreign officers arrived on the scene from Central Station.

The episode took place at about 11.20 o'clock. The two Japanese entered the shop, smashed the plate-glass tops of the counters, smashed the glass panes in the doors leading to a room behind the shop, and upset tables and furniture, according to the reports made.

When a traffic policeman attempted to intervene, the Japanese are alleged to have struck him, torn his tunic and torn one of his white "traffic sleeves" from his arm. The sleeve was later found, crumpled, in the overcoat pocket of one of the Japanese. The overcoat collar of a foreign sub-inspector was slightly torn when he attempted to pacify the men.

The two Japanese were finally taken to Central Station in a police car and lodged in the cells, after much argument and resisting on their part. A Japanese detective was detailed to investigate the circumstances of the case, and the Japanese Consular Police were notified.

It was understood that charges of wilful damage and assault on the police would be preferred against the men in the Japanese Consular Court.

Japanese Landing Party To Hold Parade

Special New Year Ceremony Due on Saturday

Combined forces from the Japanese Special Naval Landing Party and Japanese men-of-war in port will hold a New Year's parade in Hongkew Park on Saturday, a Japanese naval spokesman announced yesterday. Mechanized units of the Landing Party will parade on Kiangwan Road.

Rear-Admiral Yoshinobu Shishido, commandant of the Special Naval Landing Party, will take the salute. Vice-Admiral Koshiro Oikawa, commander-in-chief of the Japanese China Seas Fleet, will attend the event, he said. Officers from the various foreign military forces in Shanghai, Japanese army officers, and others had been invited, according to the spokesman.

The parade will start at 10 o'clock in the morning. Admission will be by invitation only.

Rome's Envoy to London Now in Italy

Anglo-Italian Parleys Likely to Be Cordial

Rome, Jan. 3.

Signor Dino Grandi, Italian Ambassador to London, is at present in Rome, an official communique said today.

His presence here is held in some quarters as an indication that the Anglo-Italian conversations to be held shortly will be conducted with utmost cordiality as originally planned.

The Italian Ambassador's absence from London is now regarded as proof that Italy and Britain believe "no disturbing element" can cause the postponement of the visit to Rome by the British Premier, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, nor change the preliminary plans.—United Press.

Premier May Lead Cairo Delegates to London

Arabs from Seychelles Visit Mahmoud Pasha

London, Jan. 4.

While the leadership of the Egyptian Delegation to the London Conference on Palestine has not yet been decided, it is considered probable that the Prime Minister, Mahmoud Pasha, will personally assume the leadership. Reuter.

Freed Arabs See Premier

Cairo, Jan. 4.

The five members of the Palestine Arab High Committee, who were released from exile on the Seychelles in view of the forthcoming Palestine Conference to be held in London, yesterday visited the Prime Minister of Egypt, Mahmoud Pasha. They stated later that they were going to Beirut to confer with the Grand Mufti, but, according to the French Embassy, visas for the visit have not yet been authorized.—Reuter.

Polish Delegation to Negotiate in Berlin

Berlin, Jan. 4.

A Polish delegation is arriving here today, to resume negotiations with regard to the repatriation of Polish Jews living in Germany.—Reuter.

AMPLE snowfall in the Romagna during the last few days have given a good opportunity to the Italian Premier, Signor Benito Mussolini, who is at present at his country seat of Rocca delle Caminate, to go skiing with his youngest son, Romano. Il Duce who is carrying on his work as government chief by receiving daily delegations from Rome gets up very early every morning, does his gymnastics, chops wood, goes for long walks and talks with the peasants who have known him as a child and admire him as an "extraordinary chap."

British Press Comment On American Note

Alignment with Policy Toward Japan Urged

London, Jan. 4.

"The very firm American note on New Year's eve is considered to be a final rejection of the Japanese thesis that a new order established by Japanese military action in the Far East justifies an unilateral revision of treaties and other conditions," the "Yorkshire Post" stated this morning, commenting on the recent American note to Japan regarding discrimination against foreign trade interests in China.

"The note has been looked upon in other capitals as an invitation to the British Government to follow suit in requiring Japan to present any proposals she wishes to put forward at such a conference as the United States has in mind," the paper added. "There seems to be no reason why the British Government should not publicly affirm their alignment with the attitude of the United States especially in view of the repeated charges which have been made in this country and others that Great Britain failed in January, 1932 to take the opportunity for a closely-coordinated policy in the Far East offered by the note sent by Mr. Henry L. Stimson, then American Secretary of State, regarding Japan's policy in Manchuria."—Havas.

Spanish Republicans Holding Defences

German Press Comments On Slow Progress Made

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The German Press today for the first time stressed the difficulties in the way of the Nationalist Spanish offensive in Catalonia, emphasizing the vigour of Republican resistance. The "Boersen Zeitung" declared that Nationalist advances had decreased considerably during the past few days. "Snow and cold, and also the enemy's resistance are the causes."

This newspaper added that several towns announced as having been captured by the Franco forces were still behind the Republican lines, as proven by maps published in Italian newspapers. It remarked that the front lines in the Balaguer and Lerida sectors had not changed in the past six months.—Havas.

Barcelona Reports

Barcelona, Jan. 3.

The Nationalists succeded today in slightly bettering their positions only in the Albaces and Cogull sectors. Everywhere else, their attacks were repulsed with heavy casualties, official Republican reports announced tonight.—Havas.

Provincial Governors Meet in Chungking

Chungking, Jan. 4.

The Governors of Kweichow and Szechuen provinces are to confer shortly with Government leaders.

General Wu Ta-chuan, Governor of Kweichow, has already arrived in Chungking, from Kweiyang, while General Wang Tsang-hsu, Governor of Szechuen, is expected here, by air, from Chengtu, on Friday.—Reuter.

Paris Cinemas Close

Paris, Jan. 4.

The directors of Paris movie houses today carried out their threat to close their establishments as a protest against the new taxes imposed upon them. The cinemas will be closed from noon today for one week, and the move is expected to spread to the suburbs and provinces. However it is hoped that attempts at conciliation will prove successful this afternoon.—Havas.

CONFISCATION of Japanese goods exported from the occupied areas to the Chinese-controlled areas has been ordered by the Ministries of Finance and Economics in a recent instruction to the competent Chinese authorities and the Chinese Maritime Customs, says a report to the "Hwa Mei Chen Pao." Where the origins of goods appear to be doubtful, the instruction states, they must be held until proper investigations have been instituted, as in many cases Japanese goods have been exported from the occupied areas under Chinese labels or trade marks.

Provincial Councils Postponed

Governors Too Busy With Prosecuting War

Chungking, Jan. 4.

A petition from eight Provincial Governments for postponement of the establishment of Provincial People's Political Councils, because of concentration of efforts on war preparations, has been approved by the Chinese Government.

A postponement of two months is effective for Hupeh, Hunan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Kwangsi and Kiangsi, and of three months for Hopei.

The postponement for Charhar province is indefinite.—Reuter.

Morphia Injections for Mr. George Robey

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 4.

Morphia injections were being given yesterday to the 69-year-old English comedian, Mr. George Robey, who broke three ribs on Saturday when he fell off the stage at the Alexandria Theatre, Birmingham, during a performance of the pantomime "Robinson Crusoe." Mr. Robey passed a restless night and was attended by four doctors.—Reuter.

HE DARE NOT MOVE IN BED

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FROM DAY TO DAY

THERE will be a celebration of Holy Communion this morning in the Bubbling Well Chapel at 10.30 a.m.

IT was stated at Sandringham that the Queen and Princess Elizabeth, who have been suffering from colds, continue to make good progress.

MR. George Hogg, Miss Phyllis Teng and Mrs. Alice Li Hsia will give a special musical programme over station XMHD on Thursday at 8.30 p.m. Tune in on 760 kc or 395 metres.

THE Queen Mother of Egypt who has been sojourning in France with her four daughters began her return journey to Egypt yesterday. The party will proceed to Marseilles and embark from there for Alexandria.

THE visit of the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs, M. Maxim Litvinov, to Warsaw at the end of January is confirmed in authoritative Polish quarters, according to the news organ "Magyar Orszag" of Budapest.

FOLLOWING the three-day New Year holiday, the Shanghai Postal Administration, the Chinese Maritime Customs, and all other public offices resumed their regular office routines today, says a report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

TRAIN services between Shanghai and Nanking have now been interrupted as a result of the demolition by Chinese mobile units of the railway tunnel near Chinkiang, says a Chinese report to the "Sin Wan Pao."

DR. Clarence Kuangson Young, Chinese Consul-General in Manila, paid a courtesy call on Rear-Admiral G. J. Meyers, Commandant of the 16th Naval District, and received an eleven-gun salute. The Admiral will return the call.

MRS. Earl Cressy will begin a series of lectures on Chinese History at the American Women's Club, 577 Bubbling Well Road, at 11 a.m. today. These lectures, which will be continued on subsequent Thursdays at the same hour, are open to the public and no admission is charged.

THE Reichsbank President, Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, is reported to be visiting Helsingfors, capital of Finland, at the beginning of February to speak before the Finnish-German Society. Dr. Schacht will then proceed to Reval, in Esthonia, to speak before the Central Club.

THAT it is better to be Naughty but Interesting than Good but Dull" is proposed on the Foreign "Y" debating programme this evening at 9 p.m. Mr. C. C. Bojesen is proposing, and Mr. Ernest Moy is opposing. Members and their friends are cordially invited to attend and participate in the debate.

THE South African construction engineers and contractors who are visiting Germany were the guests of the German South African Society in Berlin on Tuesday at luncheon in the Hotel Kaiserhof. Professor Bohle, president of the Society, welcomed the guests, recalling at the same time his years as teacher in the University of Capetown.

CHINESE Government revenue has not been affected by the loss of the Chinese Maritime Customs receipts, which are now being deposited with the Yokohama Specie Bank, according to local Chinese financial circles, says a report to the "Shun Pao." All international financial obligations secured upon the Customs receipts, the report states, continue to be met by the Chinese Government without default.

HORDES of Chinese pirates made a successful landing at the port of Tinghai, Chekiang province, on January 2, and telegraphic communications between Tinghai and Shanghai have been interrupted since yesterday, says a report to the "Hwa Mei Chen Pao. Communications between Tinghai and the ports of Taichow, and Ningpo are also reported to have been interrupted as a result of the activities of the pirates.

THE new GPU commissioner, Berija, according to a Moscow report published in the "Illustrowanny Kurjer Codzienny" of Warsaw, has ordered all GPU offices throughout Soviet Russia to prepare within a fortnight lists containing the names of all German residents. The number of Germans working in Soviet Russia as specialists is estimated at over 1,000. All "undesirables," it is stated, are to be expelled before February 1.

THE health report of the French Municipality for the week ending December 31, shows that the total number of deaths from all causes amongst the foreign and Chinese population in the Concession were—Foreigners. 5, and Chinese 664. Deaths from notifiable diseases were —Foreigners, Typhoid Fever 1, Tuberculosis 1. Chinese, Smallpox 21; Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fevers 16; Tuberculosis 11; Beri-beri 5; Measles 3 and Diphtheria, Dysentery, Recurring Fever, Cerebrospinal Meningitis, Erysipelas, Pneumonia 1 each.

ON Wednesday January 25 Scotsmen the world over will be celebrating the 180th anniversary of the birth of Scotland's national poet, Robert Burns. The Shanghai Burns Club which, after a period of enforced inactivity has arranged to celebrate the anniversary by holding a "Burns Supper" at the Shanghai Club, open to members of the Burns Club, the St. Andrew's Society as well as admirers of the poet who are not members of either of these institutions, but who may wish to attend the function. A first-class programme of after-dinner music, recitations, etc., is being arranged. The seating accommodation is strictly limited to 200 diners, and early application for reservations on the part of subscribers and their guests is therefore desirable. Applications, accompanied by cheques or cash, should be forwarded to the honorary secretary of the Burns Club—Mr. William Lyle, c/o British Corporation Register of Shipping and Aircraft, 51 Canton Road, as soon as possible. They will be dealt with in accordance with precedence of reception.

Oxford Professors Praise Chiang

Letter of Homage and Sympathy Sent to China; Endurance Admired

Oxford, Jan. 4.

On the occasion of the New Year, a letter of homage and sympathy to General Chiang Kai-shek, Madame Chiang Kai-shek, "sharer of your continual danger," and the Chinese people was addressed by a large group of senior members of Oxford University.

The group includes the Heads of All Souls, Balliol, Corpus, Exeter, New College, Oriel, Queen's, Wadham, the women's colleges of Lady Margaret, Saint Hilda's, Saint Hugh's and Somerville, and University professors of International Law, Greek, Moral Philosophy, Modern History, Economy, Moral Theology, American History and Chinese Philosophy and Religion. Others were absent from Oxford or they would have signed the letter.

The letter expresses "our profound admiration for you, Sir, head and front of the gallant resistance which the Chinese people are making against the invaders of your country and enemies of your freedom.

Courage and Endurance

"That you and your countrymen have been able to steel yourselves to such incredible feats of courage and endurance is one of those acts of history which men can never forget.

"Instructed as we are, on the one hand, by the savage hates of narrow nationalistic cults and, on the other hand, by the dignity and self-control of Chinese feeling against Japan, we have no doubt whose hands bear the touch of civilization."

The signatories dwell on the "heroic determination" of General Chiang Kai-shek to abandon Hankow and of the millions of the civil population "who abandoned their homes and went west with the armies of resistance."

"We look to the day when the democracies of the world shall stand unflinchingly at your side and the valour of your people will wring, even from their enemies, that need of recognition which their own traditions summon them to accord.

"It is our hope that when that day comes, you, Sir, will be head of a united people and able to prove, not only the vitality of your national genius, but the sincerity of the British people."—Reuter.

Suicide Verdict on Filipino Youth

Despondent Because He Could Not Marry

A verdict of suicide was returned by Mr. N. E. Lurton, Coroner, in the United States Court for China yesterday at an inquest held on the body of John Francisco Bugay, 19 years old Filipino youth, who was found shot through the head with an S.V.C. rifle lying by his side at 237 Nanyang Road, a boarding house, early on Tuesday morning.

The first witness, Mr. R. Palma, owner of the boarding house where the deceased resided, told the court that he last saw him at dinner on January 3 and that he appeared to be in a normal frame of mind. Mrs. Hannah Sakai, also living in the same house, stated that Bugay had told her that he was going to bed early as he was going shooting with the S.V.C. on the following day. Later in the evening the deceased passed witness carrying his S.V.C. rifle, and exclaimed that he was going to shoot himself.

A Chinese girl living in the same house said that Bugay had asked her to marry him and that she had refused because he was not earning enough money. Then he became despondent, the girl added. On the morning of his death witness was on her way to the bathroom when she saw Bugay enter with his rifle and lock the door. He shouted "Goodbye" and the next thing she heard was a shot.

Door Forced Open

Witness continued that a Japanese living in another apartment forced the bathroom door open and they found the youth lying in a pool of blood with his S.V.C. rifle lying by his side. The police were notified and Detective Sub-Inspector J. Weeks arrived shortly afterwards.

The body was removed to the Country Hospital and Dr. John E. Bowen, superintendent of the hospital told the court that death was the result of a gunshot wound in the head.

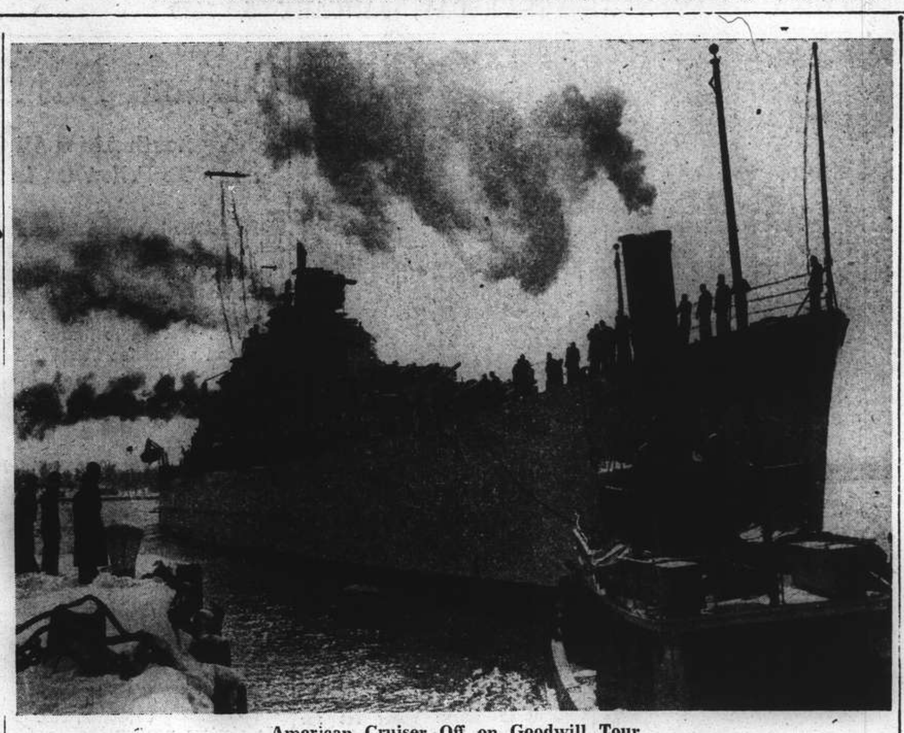
The Coroner then returned the following verdict: "I find that the body examined by me at the Country Hospital, Shanghai, China, at 9.30 a.m. on January 3, to be that of John Francisco Bugay, Filipino, That he came to his death by the act of his own hand on January 3 at 237 Nanyang Road, Shanghai, by discharging a metallic bullet, fired from a rifle, through his head which caused his death to occur at about 2 a.m. on January 3."

Imitation Cigarette Makers Charged

Thirteen men were brought before the First Special District Court yesterday on a writ of detention for manufacturing imitation cigarettes in a factory in 921 Wuting Road, which was raided by the police during the New Year period. The complainants are the Yee Tsoong Tobacco Company. The hearing will be resumed a week hence when the police are expected to complete their investigations.

Most of the detained men were arrested in the Wuting Road factory where the police seized a cigarette-making machine and many "Pirate" and "Pin-head" cigarettes smoked by the poorer class of Chinese. The initial arrest was made on the New Year's Eve on Pontoon No. 6 when a man was found in possession of 22 cases of imitation "Pirate" cigarettes. Through his confession, the police visited a Connaught Road where they arrested three more persons through whose confession the final factory raid was carried out.

THE Chinese Government has shipped away more than $5,000,000 worth of silver from Hongkong recently and more silver holdings are now being sent to Hongkong from Haiphong, says the "Sin Wan Pao." Nearly three-fourths of these shipments are destined for New York and the remaining one-fourth for London. It is also reported that the Chinese Government silver reserves in the United States still total more than $2,200,000,000.



American Cruiser Off on Goodwill Tour

The U.S.S. Phoenix being pushed into midstream as she sailed from the Philadelphia Navy Yard for visits to South American ports. The Phoenix, a 10,000 ton treaty cruiser, was launched in March and her visits coincided with the Pan-American Conference at Lima.

Chinese Gang Charged With Extortion

Collected Money In Guise Of Guerillas

A big and well organized gang of extortioners who used to demand sums running into six figures from their victims were unmasked in the Second Special District Court yesterday when seven extortion suspects were brought up on a writ of detention. It was alleged by the prosecution that on one occasion alone the men obtained $5,000. In view of the complicated nature of the case, Judge Chang postponed the hearing to January 18 in order to allow the police to make more investigations.

It was revealed in court that by posing as guerilla unit leaders, the alleged extortioners often wrote to rich victims living in the French Concession asking for big sums of money and that they had been operating for sometime maintaining their headquarters in three separate places raided by the police. In their possession the French police found two hand grenades, one pistol and some Chinese Government bonds which they allegedly obtained from one of their victims.

The first victim mentioned in court is Mr. Huang Tung, a former iron shop manager who lives in Route Paul Henry. He was said to have received three letters demanding $20,000 and forced to go to an hotel in Avenue Joffre where he paid $5,000 to settle the affair. The men were also alleged to have written three letters to an intended victim living in Route Frelupt asking for $50,000 and in one of the letters a bullet was enclosed.

The men told the court that they had never attempted to extort money, having been sent to Shanghai by their commander in Pootung. The judge was puzzled by their statement and when he asked why the men should have come into the Concession if they were really guerillas the men were tongue-tied.

Japanese Protest to U.S. Government

Globe Wireless Operates Without Due Sanction

On December 31, the Japanese Consulate-General protested to the American Consulate-General over the actions of the Globe Wireless Co., asserting that it was operating on a licence from Chungking and without submitting its messages to Japanese censorship. At the press conference yesterday, the Embassy spokesman had little to add to the information.

It is understood that the wireless company had for many years been working with the National Government of China with the view to securing permission to handle certain commercial traffic, and that the licence had been obtained from the only licensing authority which would be recognized under International Communications Rules and Regulations.

The Globe Wireless Company has been licensed duly by the Federal Communication Commission of the United States to conduct traffic between that country and China, it is stated, and as such does not believe that Japanese censorship regulations apply to it.

The offices of the company are situated at 51 Canton Road.

"Oriental Affairs"

Safely over the border into the New Year it is possible to look back on the events of 1938, and these "Oriental Affairs" has surveyed at length in "The Far East in 1938." This January number also contains several clear war maps illustrating comments on the hostilities. There is a brief biography of Marshal Wu Pei-fu, the new King's Regulation, "control of the Press," is discussed, and "The Scorched Earth Policy," with special relation to the destruction of Changsha, receives editorial comment. "Japan and the 'New Order in Asia'" in which friction with the Anglo-Saxon Powers comes under review is another editorial article. As a relief from present-day affairs the continuation of "Reminiscences of a Chinese Official," in which "a Grand Military Review" of the old days is described," is welcome. Mr. W. V. Pennell contributes "Peking Peace and Presidential Plan Fails," and there are news letters from correspondents in Japan, Manchoukuo, and North China. Mr. Y. S. Shen adds his "Monthly Review of Economic Conditions in China," and the customary "Notes and Comments" contain much of interest.

London Press Fear New Nazi "Coup"

Expensive Concessions Expected to Result in Berlin Banker's Talks

London, Jan. 4.

The press here this morning devoted but little comment to the forthcoming private journey to Berlin by Mr. Montagu Norman, Governor of the Bank of England.

Responsible quarters assert that the visit will "be as private as Dr. Hjalmar Schacht's trip to London recently."

According to most of the papers, Mr. Montagu Norman and the Governor of the Reichsbank will examine together the state of economic relations between Great Britain and Germany, not only in connection with the problem of Jewish refugees, but also to discuss national relationships themselves. Well-informed organs such as the "Financial Times" and the "Daily Telegraph," announce forthcoming negotiations between representatives of British industries and corresponding German interests.

Many Doubts Expressed

General feeling here seems to be somewhat apprehensive over the exact role which Dr. Schacht is playing in German economics. The diplomatic editor of "The Times" points out that Mr. Norman's visit would have even more significance if he were to meet Field-Marshal Hermann Goering, head of the German Four Year Plan, as well as Dr. Schacht.

The "Financial News" is not very much in favour of the visit. "In well-informed quarters, it is believed that Mr. Norman's object is to strengthen Dr. Schacht's position by securing better terms for him than any other German negotiator could possibly obtain," this paper said. "It is argued that this would strengthen the 'moderates' in Germany and be worth the sacrifices involved in an otherwise unsatisfactory agreement. If the deterioration of the German foreign exchange position were to continue, it is argued, the influence of warmongers in German politics would be strengthened. Since 1934 the same argument has been used; and far from strengthening Dr. Schacht's and the Moderates' influence, the free Sterling placed at Germany's disposal has strengthened the extremists by enabling Germany to rearm faster."

Jews as Trade Hostages

The "Daily Express" expressed similar views.

"We are making a bad start in 1939," the paper stated. "Mr. Montagu Norman journeys off to Berlin. It is said that he is going to confer with Mr. Schacht about the Jews. The Germans have a scheme by which they hope to get rid of the Jews and at the same time turn every Jew into a commercial traveller for German goods. They propose that the Jews leaving Germany should be allowed to take a quarter of their assets with them. Germany would recoup herself by the money the Jews carry off by selling more goods abroad. These increased German exports will hit British trade. Watch Mr. Norman in Berlin. His journey may be expensive for you."—Havas.

Holiday Period Ends as Banks Re-open

Today marks the end of the New Year holidays in Shanghai, and the streets of the city, which have borne rather a deserted appearance during the past few days, will resound to the familiar roar of buses, trams and cars as all banks and business houses re-open their doors.

Many offices including those of the S.M.C., F.M.C., the Customs and the Post Office resumed business yesterday, while many of the larger department stores and publishing firms also opened their doors.

Today will see the re-opening of the banks, closed since noon on Saturday, the offices of H.M. Consulate-General and other consular offices, and some of the larger offices in the city which have been closed during the entire period of the holidays.

Floor Collapses and Buries Man Alive

Fatal Accident Reported In Yangtszepoo

A Chinese man was buried in debris when the first floor of a house in Lane 322, Yangchow Road, collapsed early yesterday afternoon. Firemen from Yangtszepoo Station were summoned and they extricated the victim and took him to hospital in an ambulance. He was dead when admitted to a ward.

Other Fatality

Another Chinese was killed early yesterday morning in a fall down a flight of stairs in a house at the intersection of Hart and Robison Roads. He likewise was pronounced dead upon being taken to hospital in an ambulance.

Yesterday morning also a Chinese was found suffering from poisoning in a house at Park and Burkill Roads. Physicians were unable to revive him, and he was pronounced dead.

More U.S. Warship Concentrations

Caribbean Manœuvres Will Involve Marines Landings, Air Forces

New York, Jan. 4.

East coast warships sailed for the Caribbean today to join in five months' manœuvres involving 160 American warships and 120,000 men.

The movement of the east coast warships southward was believed to coincide with the arrival in the Caribbean of the major portion of the Pacific fleet which left California bases under secret orders last week. The exact movements of the ships from the Pacific coast have not been announced, but it was known they were sailing for the Caribbean.

The new destroyer Warrington led the parade of warships from Brooklyn navy yard which will sail southward in the next twelve hours. The flagship cruisers Concord and Cincinnati and four other warships were among the naval units leaving Brooklyn.

The Atlantic and Caribbean manœuvres, which political observers regard as a warning to totalitarian European states with aspirations in South America, will be classified as "Fleet Problem XX." They were designed primarily for the defence of the Panama Canal and the Caribbean Sea, but it is expected some fast naval squadrons, assisted by planes, will extend the zone of operations as far as the Equatorial region east of Brazil.

A substantial corps of United States Marines is participating and is expected to engage in simultaneous landing operations at several points along the Caribbean coast. Navy planes participating will be dispatched from several bases, including Norfolk and San Diego. The main base of operations will be Guantanamo, Cuba.—United Press.

Big Fire in Paper Hong Near French Bund

Firemen Battle Flames and Dense Smoke for Hours

The French Concession Fire Brigade, under Lieut. G. Bossu, fought an uncommonly stubborn and dangerous fire during Tuesday night and early yesterday in Rue du Consulat. The scene was a Chinese paper hong situated on the north side of the street, between the French Bund and Rue Montauban, and the flames had started in the basement where a large quantity of paper was stored.

Terrific heat was generated by the blaze, and fumes also made the work of the firemen extremely difficult. The French Brigade was on the job for many hours and were still cleaning up yesterday afternoon.

No-one was injured or overcome by smoke.

Chusan Island Taken By Pirates

Ships Fired Upon When Making Calls

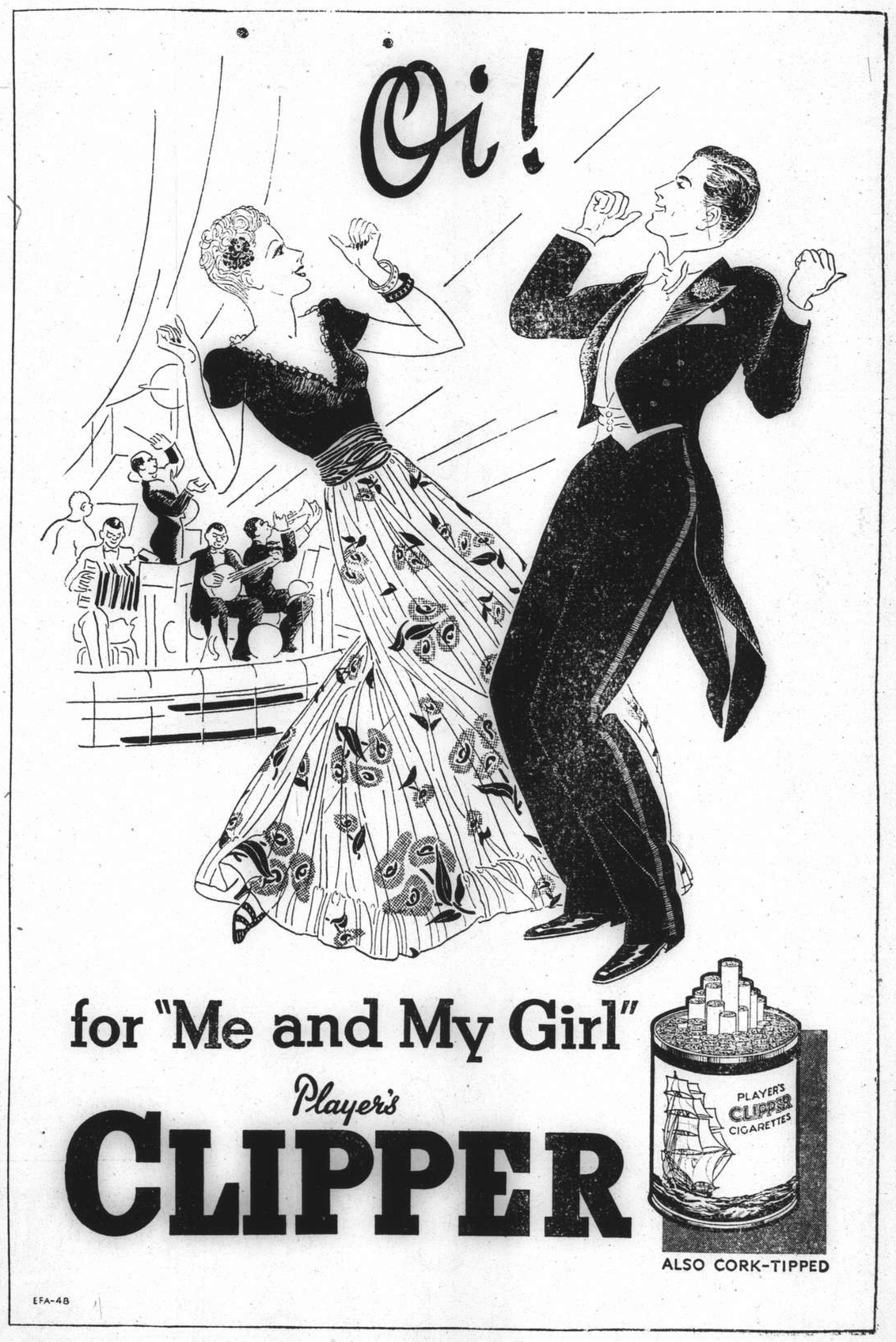
Tinghai, the main island of the Chusan group off the east Chekiang coast is now completely under the control of well armed pirates who number more than 100, according to Chinese evening reports yesterday. Natives of Tinghai who live in Shanghai are said to be anxious to know the fate of their relatives and friends there, but all methods of communication have been tried in vain.

The pirates, said to be led by one Chang Ah-tze, landed at Tinghai on the New Year's eve and as soon as they landed, they disarmed the militiamen and police who were too weak to resist. Even the magistrate's office is stated to have been seized by the buccaneers who have destroyed the wireless and telegraphic systems.

First indications that pirates were in control of the island were seen on Sunday when a Shanghai steamer reaching Tinghai from Haimen was prevented by armed Chinese from unloading goods and landing passengers the reports state. The pirates are said to have fired many shots by way of intimidation and the steamer was forced to go to Ningpo by another way. It reached Ningpo safely.

Farewell Ceremony for Colonel Delsuc Here

A military ceremony in honour of Col. Delsuc, who has served as commander of the French Forces in China, was held at 5 o'clock yesterday evening in front of the French Consulate-General. Col. Delsuc inspected a guard of honour composed of local French troops. He is returning to France after service in China in which he was the head of the combined French garrisons, Tientsin-Shanghai.



THE SPORTS PAGE

White Parade Wins New Year Classic By Four Lengths

Night Express 2nd with Bober Beating Favourite For 3rd Place; Fifth Race Big Farce

By "The Chaser"

G. P. Gram rode Mrs. A. V. White's White Parade to a clear cut victory in the classic race of the Shanghai Race Club's New Year Race Meeting yesterday afternoon and defeated, Night Express, his nearest rival by the decisive margin of four lengths. Bober and Cordon Rouge had a hard tussle for the remaining place and the former eventually filled it four lengths behind Night Express. Cordon Rouge was made a raging hot favourite, carrying nearly two fifths of the money but ran indifferently all the way and came with a much belated rush towards the end to finish fourth. White Parade was second in demand at the pari and returned $15.40 for a single win ticket while the forecast of him and Night Express paid $95.40.

Night Express as usual went into his lead but Gram took no chances and followed him closely while Felixstowe ran third seventh lengths behind. At the Monument the field could not catch up to the leaders, who were then running side by side, although they were pressing their ponies to the utmost. White Parade shot past Night Express the moment they entered the straight and carried on to win by four lengths. Bober and Cordon Rouge rushed past Felixstowe at the last furlong and fought for third place.

Although favourites did not take premier honours in every race there were sufficient well fancied ponies and second favourites in the money to keep the punters in good humour.

Novices Cup

Of particular interest was the Novices Cup race which produced a field of five, of which three were from the Cire stable. Robertson rode a clever race to beat the slightly more favoured Flyinglight by three quarters of a length after chasing him all the way round. Flyinglight had to concede thirteen pounds to Corps Cavalry and although he did not win, credit must be given to this gallant pony for giving Corps Cavalry such a good race. Tungstenlight, who started earlier in the day, was out again in this race and after leading the field came in third a length and a half away from his stable mate Flyinglight. The field was well bunched all the way with the exception of Ancient Ensign who could not keep up with the field.

The C class of the second and third class ponies handicap was the first race of the day and resulted in an upset. Record Mark who has consistently been placing or running fourth at last rewarded his patient owner with a win and paid $66.60 for a win ticket. Evesham was second a length and a half while Romford was two lengths behind third. Man O'Pep galloped into the lead the moment the tape went up and was followed by Record Mark while the rest followed in pairs. Man O'Pep had quite a good lead until the Monument where the field closed up and when entering the straight Record Mark was right along side. Romford came strongly on the rails but would not pass the leaders. Man O'Pep died out at the furlong post while Evesham came with a rush and challenged Record Mark but failed by a length and a half.

The B division resulted in an easy victory for Duke of Cornwall who cantered home three lengths ahead of Tungstenlight while the second favourite, Gilt Edge, was third a length away. Tungstenlight did all the running and was only passed by Duke of Cornwall in the last furlong.

Wet Morn Wins

Wet Morn scored a minor upset in the third race when he galloped away with the A class of the handicap and won from Blue Boy and Mightylight. Loch Mhor was most popular fancy at the pari-mutuel but ran an indifferent race to finish fifth while Kanoungtoe who set the pace was passed at the last quarter by nearly the whole field. Wet Morn came with a rush at the top of the straight and surged past the leaders to go on and win by a length, and only half a length separated the second and third ponies.

The first race after tiffin was a third class ponies' event and with only four starters the field was bad enough but when S. Wong was thrown from Elopement, before the race was even a furlong, the race was dull and the ponies cantered along as if it were a training gallop. The eventual result was Friesenfels first, by two lengths, Blenheim second and Claverton third.

Biggest Farce

The biggest farce, perhaps the biggest Shanghai has ever seen was the fifth race, which with only three ponies, was run in even slower time than an ordinary mile and a half race, the time being 3.21 for a mile and a quarter. Roehampton, Pearlylight and Fancylight lined up for the start and when the tape was lifted all three ponies stood still and after a few moments started to trot, each waiting for the other to take the lead. After a hundred yards E. B. Moller had a little difficulty in holding the prancing Pearlylight and cantered away slowly—a little faster than a slow trot. The pace was a little faster from the Loong-fei Gate and when the field reached the last furlong they were still travelling at the same pace. Clark rushed Roehampton opposite the stand and stole a march over the Lights and dashed home a length to the good. Pearlylight was second and Fancylight third.

Athenian Knight won the griffins handicap in fine style and was three lengths ahead of The Myna, a rank outsider, who was second while another outsider, Charming Swift, filled the third place two lengths away. The favourite, Libertylight, flattered for a bit at the top of the straight but finished nowhere. Nero set a fast pace from the start and took a big lead but faded out of the picture completely when entering the straight to let the winners pass him.

Sensational Dividend

A sensational dividend was paid in the forecast for the combination of the winner and The Myna and according to the results there were nine lucky holders of a $712.40 ticket.

The mafoos race resulted in a good finish with Rye and Autumnlight battling away for first honours and the former got home three quarters of a length to the good while the favourite Rain was third. Goldenlight set the pace and was followed by Rain and Kanoungtoe. Kanoungtoe faded away at the three quarter mile mark while Rye gradually moved into position. Goldenlight was passed by the winner soon after they entered the straight and finished fourth.

1.—Race. "C" Class. 1¼ mile.
Record Mark (Jumiriam) 144 V. L. Xavier 1
Evesham (Sing Lee) 145 R. H. Robertson 2
Romford (Jewell) 152 Gabor Renner 3
Also ran:—Houdini (E. B. Cumine), Welfenfels (A. C. Kew), Smart Morn (P. Y. Vong), Scarlet Morn (P. Chen), Merry Memories (L. H. Wade), Sundridge Park (G. P. Gram), Man O'Pep (R. Morgan).
Sweep: (1) 303, (2) 275, (3) 195.
Unplaced: 363, 576, 335, 126, 607, 265, 241.
Won by 1½ length; 2 lengths.
Time, 2.49⅖ sec.
Win, $66.80. Places, $18.60, $12.40, $10.40.

2.—Race. "B" Class. 1¼ mile.
Duke of Cornwall (Hans Luft) 149 R. Morgan 1
Tungstenlight (Cire) 155 E. B. Moller 2
Gilt Edge (Sing Foong) 153 G. P. Gram 3
Also ran:—Prince of Athens (P. Chen), Mimulus (John Sparke), Cottonlight (V. L. Xavier), Cherrybey (R. H. Robertson), Sky Raider (L. H. Wade), Airylight (C. B. Moller).
Sweep: (1) 615, (2) 114, (3) 181.
Unplaced: 536, 238, 575, 241, 171, 597.
Won by 3 lengths; 1 length.
Time, 2.50⅖ sec.
Win, $13.40. Places, $6.40, $9.80, $7.

3.—Race. "A" Class. 1¼ mile.
Wet Morn (Henry White) 152 Gabor Renner 1
Blue Boy (Mrs. Jack Liddell) 149 John Sparke 2
Mightylight (Cire) 150 C. B. Moller 3
Also ran:—Going Slow (E. B. Cumine), Loch Mhor (G. P. Gram), White Major (P. Y. Vong), Kanoungtoe (R. Morgan), Duke of York (M. Perske), Port St. Maty (P. Chen), Goldenray (L. H. Wade), Snappylight (E. B. Moller).
Sweep: (1) 195, (2) 464, (3) 584.
Unplaced: 599, 146, 197, 324, 331, 228, 369, 196.
Won by 1 length; ½ length.
Time, 2.49⅕ sec.
Win, $41.60. Places, $11, $12.20, $9.80.

4.—Race. 1¼ mile.
Friesenfels (Hardi) 155 E. B. Cumine 1
Blenheim (R. H. McNair) 152 G. P. Gram 2
Claverton (Jumiriam) 152 V. L. Xavier 3
Also ran:—Elopement (S. Wong).
Sweep: (1) 605, (2) 40, (3) 645.
Unplaced: 342.
Won by 2 lengths; 3 lengths.
Time, 3.02⅕ sec.
Forecast Pool Race K3. Winning Combination 2/3. Dividend $25.80.
Win, $11.60. Places, $6.60, $6.20.

5.—Race. 1¼ mile.
Roehampton (A. S. Henchman) 158 A. F. Clark 1
Pearlylight (Cire) 158 E. B. Moller 2
Fancylight (Cire) 158 C. B. Moller 3
Sweep: (1) 395, (2) 229, (3) 595.
Won by 1 length; 1 length.
Time, 3.21 sec.
Forecast Pool Race L3. Winning Combination 2/1. Dividend $21.60.
Win, $6.20. Place, $6.20.

6.—Race. THE NOVICES NEW YEAR HANDICAP. 1¼ mile.
Corps Cavalry (Manx) 155 R. H. Robertson 1
Flyinglight (Cire) 168 E. J. Bell 2
Tungstenlight (Cire) 148 G. R. Cheape 3
Also ran:—Vickylight (V. L. Xavier), Ancient Ensign (S. Wong).
Sweep: (1) 614, (2) 27, (3) 222.
Unplaced: 216, 315.
Won by ¾ length; 1½ length.
Time, 2.51⅗ sec.
Forecast Pool Race M3. Winning Combination 3/2. Dividend $29.20.
Win, $13.20. Places, $7, $6.80.

7.—Race. THE NEW YEAR HANDICAP CHAMPIONS. 11 furlongs.
White Parade (A. V. White) 154 G. P. Gram 1
Night Express (R. H. McNair) 152 Gabor Renner 2
Bober (H. & K.) 154 L. H. Wade 3
Also ran:—Cordon Rouge (H. Maitland), Mou Tan Hua (E. B. Cumine), Felixstowe (A. F. Clark), Un-Un-Un John Sparke), Cherrylight (C. B. Moller), Merry Jester (P. Y. Vong).
Sweep: (1) 10478, (2) 25300, (3) 12582.
Sweep: (1) 683, (2) 1116, (3) 1138.
Unplaced: 27606, 28067, 27528, 28801, 14187, 25942.
Unplaced: 1123, 775, 726, 1063, 688, 727.
ENTERED NON-STARTERS DRAWN BY SPECIAL SWEEP NUMBERS
10336 Autumnlight; 25641 Magic Circle; 25761 Flyinglight; 11005 Merrylight; 10744 Roehampton.
Won by 4 lengths; 4 lengths.
Time, 3.00⅕ sec.
Forecast Pool Race N3. Winning Combination 7/1. Dividend $95.40.
Win, $15.40. Places, $7.40, $10, $22.20.
Sweep: $40,320.00; $11,520.00; $5,760.00; $1309.00 (Special $10 Sweep).
Sweep: $311.64; $89.04; $44.52; $18.55 (Ordinary $2 Sweep).

8.—Race. 9 furlongs.
Athenian Knight (So & So) 158 J. B. Lok 1
The Myna (Winsome & Hasty) 135 F. X. Diniz 2
Charming Swift (Charming) 140 P. Chen 3
Also ran:—Thirteen Black (Gabor Renner), Brave Raider (R. H. Robertson), Nero (R. Morgan), Loch Aber (P. Y. Vong), Libertylight (E. B. Moller).
Sweep: (1) 581, (2) 654, (3) 353.
Unplaced: 102, 359, 362, 386, 290.
Won by 3 lengths; 2 lengths.
Time, 2.31⅕ sec.
Forecast Pool Race O3. Winning Combination 8/3. Dividend $712.40.
Win, $14.60. Places, $8.40, $37.80, $15.80.

9.—Race. THE MAFOOS NEW YEAR RACE. 1¼ mile.
Rye (A. S. Henchman) 149 Mafoo 1
Autumnlight (Cire) 153 Mafoo 2
Rain (Mrs. Jack Liddell) 161 Mafoo 3
Also ran:—Goldenlight, Sky Raider, New General, Refinement, Kanoungtoe, Magic Eve (Mafoo).
Sweep: (1) 651, (2) 851, (3) 678.
Unplaced: 1211, 734, 1087, 1099, 1045, 709.
Forecast Pool Race P3. Winning Combination 2/1. Dividend $68.20.
Win, $16.60. Places, $6.40, $6, $6.40.

Scottish League Soccer Results

London, Jan. 3.

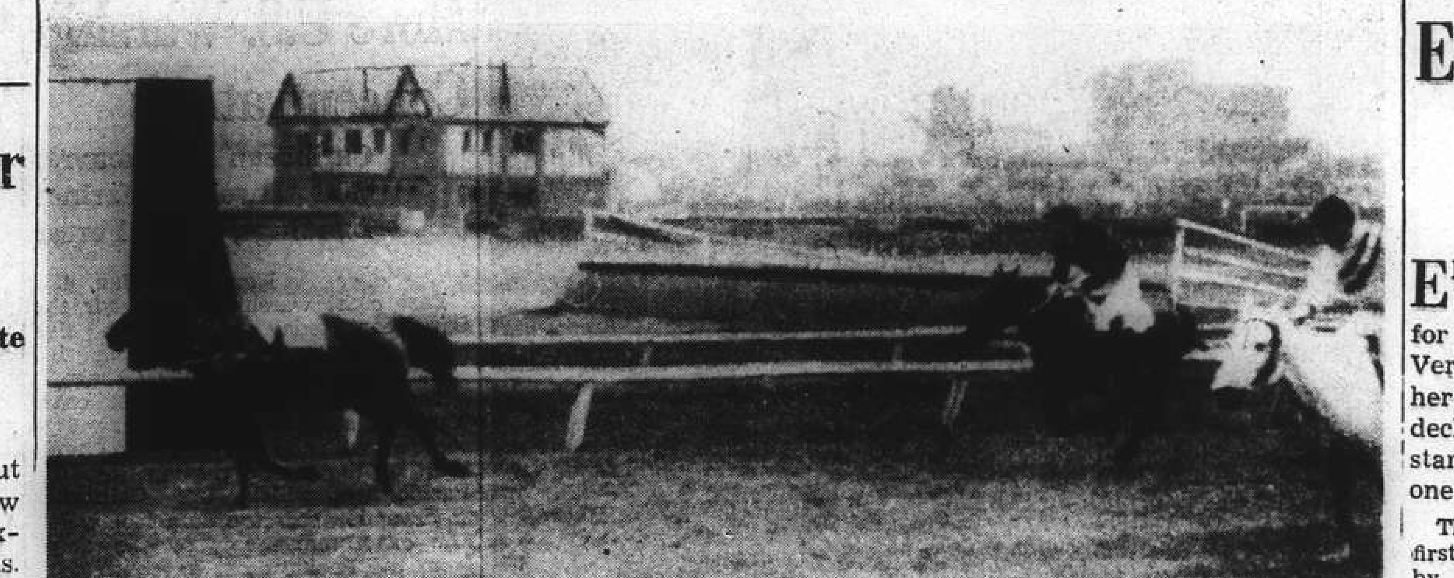
The following are the results of Scottish League soccer matches played today:—

First Division

Ayr United 3, Aberdeen 3
Celtic 0, Queen's Park 1
Falkirk 4, Kilmarnock 0
Hibernian 2, Raith Rovers 1
Motherwell 3, Albion Rovers 1
Partick Thistle 2, Rangers 4
St. Mirren 2, Hamilton Acas. 1
Third Lanark 3, Clyde 1
Arbroath 1, Hearts 1

Second Division

East Fife 2, Forfar 1.—Reuter.



"N.C.D.N." Photos.

After Wong was Thrown

In the first furlong of the fourth race yesterday, S. Wong was thrown and the riderless pony is here passing the post followed by Friesenfels, the winner, and Blenheim. In the lower picture, White Parade (G. P. Gram) is being led in by Mr. and Mrs. A. V. White, after his fine victory in the New Year Handicap Champions yesterday at the S.R.C.

Best All-Round Fighter Today

Armstrong Really Proves Himself; Revelations in Bout with Garcia

By Jack Cuddy

New York, Dec. 28.

I am convinced at last that Henry Armstrong is a really great fighter and unquestionably the best all-round battler in the ring today. This perpetual-motion Los Angeles negro seems to have every requisite of fistic greatness—heart, punch, intelligence, skill, speed, ruggedness, stamina and colour.

His record for 1937 and 1938 is one of the most brilliant ever hammered out in any era of puglism. Included in his 40 straight victories is the triple coronation when he became the first boxer even to wear three crowns simultaneously: lightweight, welterweight and featherweight.

I rate him a much greater fighter than Heavyweight Champion Joe Louis because of Henry's intelligence, skill, speed and ruggedness. As far as punch is concerned, "Homicide Hank" knocked out 35 of his last 40 opponents. I'll admit his blows lack the comparative explosiveness of the Brown Bomber's, but he hits hard enough and often enough to mow most of his men down.

He hit hard enough to send big Ceferino Garcia staggering about the ring at Madison Square Garden with blood seeping from gashes in both brows. At the end of the 10th, Garcia was so groggy that he lurched over to a neutral corner, thinking it was his own. Garcia out-weighed Henry 12½ pounds at the weighing-in and probably 17 pounds or more when they crawled through the ropes.

Armstrong Hurt by Uppercuts

As Armstrong, at 134 pounds, defended his welter crown against a virtual middleweight, he demonstrated beyond question his ruggedness and heart on the two occasions when hurt badly by Garcia's widely publicized "bolo" uppercut. This uppercut, rated one of the most thunderous punches in the ring, landed squarely on Henry's chin in the sixth and in the 12th rounds. On both occasions Armstrong was stunned. He was hurt worst in the 12th. His knees buckled and he seemed about to fall. But he quickly shook off the effects of these blasts, meanwhile bobbing and weaving instinctively to provide an elusive target as the frantic Filipino rained wild blows at him, seeking the kill. Each time when Henry's head cleared, he tore into Garcia again and beat back his attack although still a bit dizzy from the bolo, and he plunged in gamely.

Because of the weight differences, the champion displayed unusual ruggedness in remaining on his feet after those blows and in avoiding others while his head cleared. In those two instances Armstrong answered the question at last: "can he take it?" It was the first time since he hammered to the heights that he had been called up to show his reactions to a knockout punch. He proved not only that he could take it, but that he had the rare ring courage to continue. his attack immediately.

Surprised Witness

When Armstrong failed to hit the canvas in the sixth and 12th, I was probably the most surprised witness in Madison Square Garden. Before the bout, I was positive Armstrong would be belted into the petunias if one of those uppercuts landed squarely on his whiskers. I had picked Garcia to knock him out, because I felt certain the Filipino would find the target before the 15 rounds were over. He located the bulls-eye, all right, but the little bull was too tough and too game.—United Press.

Foreign "Y" Basketball

With the advantage of height, the U.S. Marine Reds scored a decisive victory over Chih Tze in the Invitation Basketball League at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. last night by 47 to 38. The "Leathernecks" held a lead of 24-18 in the first half through aggressiveness on the part of Moore, who scored four field goals.

The United Development five, one of the strongest Chinese teams in the League, were also victorious, winning over the Moore Memorial Church by a comfortable margin of 33-23.

Light Horse Point To Point

The annual Light Horse Point to Point will be run this year on Sunday, January 15, over the same course as that used last year. There will be a conducted ride over the course this Sunday, January 8.

Canidrome Results

1—440 yd. flat.—1, Ah Liang; 2, Gator.
3½ lengths.—Time, 27.14.
Win, $52.80. Forecast (6-3) Div. $254.40.
Place, 1st $12.90; 2nd $40.90.

2—500 yd. flat.—1, Harvard; 2, Arrow.
3 lengths.—Time, 31.32.
Win, $25.20. Forecast (1-3) Div. $138.70.
Place, 1st $13.50; 2nd $15.30.
Double Event 1/2 (6-1) Div. $62.90.

3—500 yd. flat.—1, Last Ray; 2, Lorelei.
Short head.—Time, 31.53.
Win, $31.80. Forecast (3-5) Div. $76.70.
Place, 1st $8.30; 2nd $6.20.
Double Event 2/3 (1-5) Div. $226.40.

4—500 yd. flat.—1, Terminjay; 2, Countless Verde.
Short head.—Time, 31.48.
Win, $22.40. Forecast (1-4) Div. $181.60.
Place, 1st $16.70; 2, $11.70.
Double Event 3/4 (3-1) Div. $97.50.

5—500 yd. flat.—1, Bebben; 2, Grumpy.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.57.
Win, $17.80. Forecast (6-5) Div. $109.70.
Place, 1st $8.80; 2nd $15.50.
Double Event 4/5 (1-6) Div. $45.90.

6—500 yd. flat.—1, Humpty Dumpty; 2, Nanette.
2½ lengths.—Time, 30.71.
Win, $22.60. Forecast (4-2) Div. $118.20.
Place, 1st $14.00; 2nd $12.90.
Double Event 5/6 (6-4) Div. $44.70.

7—500 yd. flat.—1, Fairy Bells; 2, Parthos.
A neck.—Time, 30.62.
Win, 14.70. Forecast (6-5) Div. $66.50.
Place, 1st $9.30; 2nd $14.70.
Double Event 6/7 (4-6) Div. $49.30.

8—500 yd. flat.—1, Speed Cop; 2, Pearlman.
1½ length.—Time, 30.46.
Win, $29.40. Forecast (1-3) Div. $192.60.
Place, 1st $12.20; 2nd, $10.80.
Double Event 7/8 (6-1) Div. $27.20.

9—500 yd. flat.—1, Defiation; 2, Wild Rose.
3½ lengths.—Time, 29.96.
Win, $20.60. Forecast (6-2) Div. $68.00.
Place, 1st $10.70; 2nd $15.40.
Double Event 8/9 (1-6) Div. $49.10.

10—500 yd. flat.—1, Simple Jackie; 2, Belle O'Seccawei.
½ length.—Time, 29.90.
Win, $25.80. Forecast (4-6) Div. $78.00.
Place, 1st $15.20; 2nd $14.30.
Double Event 9/10 (6-4) Div. $32.30.

11—525 yd. flat.—1, O. I. C.; 2, Black Tulip.
Short head.—Time, 31.24.
Win, $15.80. Forecast (1-5) Div. $51.80.
Place, 1st $7.40; 2nd $10.10.
Double Event 9/10 (4-1) Div. $47.90.

12—525 yd. flat.—1, Flying Duchess; 2, Jimmy.
½ length.—Time, 31.33.
Win, $26.30. Forecast (4-3) Div. $204.00.
Place, 1st $19.70; 2nd $22.40.
Double Event 10/11 (1-4) Div. $39.60.

Rowing Club Football Team Chosen

The following will represent the Rowing Club in their Third Division match against Parks United, to take place on Sunday morning at 10.30 at Kiaochow Park. S. Godkin, L. G. Shellam, H. G. Fabian, R. Dodd, G. F. C. McLorn, E. J. Muri, R. Harris, G. Harrison, C. S. Kimber, A. Harvey, E. G. Smith.

Galento to Meet Brescia

Newark, N.J., Jan. 3.

Tony Galento, the barrel-like bar tender who is ranked by the National Boxing Association as the leading contender for the world heavyweight champion, signed today to meet George Brescia of Argentina in a ten-round bout here on January 19.—United Press.

Rugby Attraction On Saturday

Club's 1st Team Slightly Favoured Over Marines; Seven Matches Arranged

A heavy rugby programme has been arranged for the coming week-end, three games being set for Saturday and four for Sunday, all leading local sides being down to make an appearance on one of the days.

The main attraction is undoubtedly that beginning at 3.30 p.m. on Saturday, when the United States Marines 1st XV will attempt to preserve its winning record against the Club's senior team. Although the Americans have shown vast improvement during the past fortnight and have been putting in a great deal of practice—both theoretically and practically—they will meet with much stiffer opposition than hitherto encountered. The Club played an excellent game on Tuesday against the Combined Forces and if they repeat this performance they must start as favourites. The pack is now working well and should hold its own against the heavier Marines, while its outsides, although perhaps not as fast as the "Leathernecks," have much more experience in the handling game, a fact that is likely to stand them in good stead. On the face of things, the Club's better knowledge should turn the tide.

Tung Wen v. Suffolk

At 3 p.m. the same afternoon, H.M.S. Suffolk clash with Tung Wen College 1st XV, and providing the sailors employ their weight to good effect to offset the superior speed of the Japanese, they should win. In Culmer, Spittle, Yeo, Savage and Henley, they have five members who, playing brilliant football at present, are quite capable of dictating terms in any game in which they participate.

The Police and the Seaforth Highlanders will renew acquaintance at 2.15 p.m. and the former team, if they produce the forms they are capable of, should account for their opponents in a hard and closely fought tussle.

On Sunday at 2.15 p.m. the Japanese Civilians are turning out a fifteen for the first time this season and will engage the Club 3rd side.

On the adjoining pitch at the same time, the United States Marines 2nd XV will meet a Combined East Surreys and Area Details aggregation which, if including Wallis, Kerrich, Hill, Hall, Evans and Hamlin, should have no difficulty in winning hands down from opponents who lack actual match experience.

At 3.30 p.m. the Club 2nd XV will come to grips with a French Forces XV, but from the manner in which the Frenchmen disposed of the Club 1st side a few weeks ago in the senior group of the Invitation Series, the opposition on Sunday is conceded little chance, provided the Forces decide to field their strongest fifteen.

Concluding a highly interesting programme, is the match between a Combined Club and Police XV and a Fourth Marines-Seaforths side, which should result in a very even game.

Teams Selected

CLUB FIRST:—W. H. B. Rigg; J. W. M. Martin, A. G. White, I. F. Aucott, I. M. Hutchison; G. M. Mills, R. Laird; W. D. Pearson, G. H. Reynolds, R. A. O. Mayne, R. U. Reynolds, R. P. J. Stewart, A. M. Kennedy (Captain), G. G. Brown and P. B. Tay.

CLUB SECOND:—J. L. R. Mair; P. J. A. Innes, A. P. D. Kennedy, S. J. Ward, O. P. Edwards; R. N. Bryant, T. R. Bassett; F. W. Dunhill, M. N. Speyer (Captain), J. March, G. A. Yanus, J. D. Sayle, J. R. M. Warner, D. M. Wheeler and W. J. Richmond.

CLUB THIRD:—W. P. Hetherington; E. S. Blackwood, A. Thomas, S. M. Thornley (Captain), B. H. McMichael; L. R. St. Louis, R. Dickinson; T. D. Adams, J. W. Chapman, J. R. Blaikie, A. Mabb, W. V. K. Chadwick, M. O. Liddell, F. W. Poate and A. L. A. Bonbernard.

CLUB/POLICE XV:—E. A. J. Fabian, R. G. Sayle, G. E. Bennett (Captain), E. Lang, R. J. Lucas, C. H. Hodgman, F. W. Gilbert, R. J. Sheppard, G. L. Hinds and six Police members.

U.S. MARINES 1ST XV:—Conrad; Petro, Blondin, Walker, Havriluk; Depizol, Farrell; Cooper, Ferra, Zarczecki, Harley, Juracko, Ciszek, Solloway and Bixler (Captain).

U.S. MARINES 2ND XV:—Schlitter; Postlethwaite, Mangold, Russo, Brown; Costa, Buckley; Atkins, Lavier, Baham, Duhcvith, Glessner, Grady, Connolly and Arneit.

Club players are requested to note that those unable to play this week-end should inform Mr. A. M. Kennedy (Telephone 128[illegible]) to this effect not later than 5 p.m. Friday.

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England Has Big Advantage

South Africa All Out for 286 Runs and Forced To Follow On in Second Test Match

London, Jan. 4.

ENGLAND has established a commanding position in the Second Test Match, continued here today as South Africa was all out for 286 runs. Before an inspired spin bowling attack, led by Verity, South Africa's tail failed to wag and the last wicket fell with her score 273 runs behind England's total of 559 for nine wickets declared. Forced to follow on, South Africa made a fairly good start and at the tea interval, had scored 87 runs with the loss of one wicket.

The feature of South Africa's first innings was the century scored by Nourse.

Following on, South Africa met with early disaster when Mitchell snicked an outswinger from Farnes into the hands of Ames behind the wicket. It was the fourth ball of Farnes' second over and South Africa had then scored only two runs.

Made cautious by this early loss, the batsmen thereafter batted steadily and confidently. The 50 was put on the board after 63 minutes. At the tea interval, Van der Byl and Rowan were undefeated, with 47 and 38 to their credit respectively.

Morning's Play

Capetown, Jan. 4.

In glorious weather, before 5,000 spectators, South Africa resumed her innings this morning. The wicket was wearing slightly at the ends and seemed likely to assist spinners, which Hammond utilized in the English attack.

Verity met with almost immediate success as in his third over, he had Balaskas caught by Paynter at mid-off, after South Africa had only added one run to her overnight score of 213.

Balaskas put in an aggressive innings, his score including five hits to the boundary (214 for seven).

Verity was bowling most accurately, making the ball turn deceptively off the wicket. At one time, his average for the day read:

O.	M.	R.	W.
7	5	4	1

Nourse, who had 74 not out to his credit at the close of play yesterday, reached his century in 242 minutes. He had then hit one full boundary and nine fours.

He celebrated his century by opening up, attacking the bowling aggressively and hitting several boundaries.

At the luncheon interval, Nourse had increased his score to 120, while Melville, who was batting with a runner, had made 20. South Africa's total then stood at 283 runs for seven wickets.

Afternoon's Play

The crowd had increased to 6,000 when play was resumed after lunch.

Before he could add to his score, Nourse was out l.b.w., to Verity as he attempted to turn the ball to leg. (283 for 8).

The ball struck Nourse on the toe, glancing past the wicket-keeper. Nourse started running, taking it to be a leg-bye, but Verity's appeal for l.b.w., was upheld by the umpire.

Nourse took 266 minutes in scoring 120 runs. He had given a grand exhibition of cutting and driving. He hit one six and 12 fours.

Melville was bowled by Verity after scoring 23 runs (286 for 9). Gordon, last man in, was stumped by Ames, off Goddard for nought.

Previous Day's Play

Capetown, Jan. 4.

Faced with England's colossal score of 559 for nine wickets declared, South Africa began playing for a draw yesterday in the Second Test match, concentrating on defence. After a day of the dullest cricket witnessed here, the South Africans lost six wickets for 213.

Mitchell, South Africa's opening bat, spent 255 minutes at the crease to knock up 42 runs, while Nourse reached his half century after 102 minutes.

Mitchell, who scored at the funeral rate of 10 runs an hour, was bowled by a googly from Wright after a grand effort to waste time.

In the 90 minutes' play before lunch Mitchell and Van der Byl knocked up 45 only against good length spin bowling.

After the interval wickets began to fall. Van der Byl went first, after scoring 37 in 111 minutes, when he skied Verity to Valentine at midon (66 for one), and he was followed back to the pavilion by Rowan, who, with only six runs to his credit, was the victim of a big offbreak from Wright (79 for two).

Stonewalling Tactics

Mitchell and Nourse then became associated, and they successfully defied the bowling with stonewalling tactics until tea, when the scoreboard read 121 for two.

Mitchell then had 36 runs, the result of 209 minutes of batting, and Nourse 33, but the former was retired by Wright shortly after the resumption, when he was bowled by a googly. His 42 runs included only one boundary (151 for three).

Following the departure of Mitchell three quick wickets fell—Briscoe was leg-before to Goddard for two (160 for four). Wade was the victim of a great catch by Edrich, who dived to hold a very low ball, off Verity for 10 (176 for five), and Langton was leg-before to Goddard for a duck (177 for six).

Balaskas was the only player to enliven proceedings during the day, hitting out at everything. Before the close he sent Verity to the boundary four times in succession.

At the close Nourse was 74 not out and Balaskas 28.

England—1st innings

Hutton, b. Gordon	17
P. A. Gibb, l.b.w., b. Gordon	53
Paynter, l.b.w., b. Langton	1
Ames, b. Gordon	115
Edrich, b. Gordon	0
W. R. Hammond, b. Davies	181
B. F. Valentine, l.b.w., b. Gordon	112
Verity, b. Langton	29
Wright, c. Nourse, b. Langton	33
K. Farnes, not out	1
Extras	12
Total for 9 wickets	559

Fall of wickets:—128-3, (Gibb), 336-4, (Ames), 332-5, (Edrich), 410-6, (Hammond), 504-7, (Valentine), 537-8 (Verity), 559-9 (Wright).

Bowling

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Davies	16	1	77	1
Langton	22.7	3	117	3
Gordon	40	3	157	5
Balaskas	24	0	115	0
Mitchell	20	0	81	0

South Africa—1st innings

Mitchell, b. Wright	42
Van der Byl, c. Valentine, b. Verity	37
Rowan, b. Wright	6
Nourse, l.b.w., b. Verity	120
Briscoe, l.b.w., b. Goddard	2
Wade, c. Edrich, b. Verity	10
Langton, l.b.w., b. Goddard	0
Balaskas, c. Paynter, b. Verity	29
Melville, b. Verity	23
Gordon, st. Ames, b. Goddard	0
Davies, not out	0
Extras	17
Total	286

Fall of wickets:—66-1 (Van der Byl); 79-2 (Rowan); 151-3 (Mitchell); 160-4 (Briscoe); 176-5 (Wade); 177-6 (Langton); 217-7 (Balakas); 283-8 (Nourse); 286-9 (Melville); 286-10 (Gordon).

Bowling Analysis

	O.	M.	R.	W.
Farnes	13	3	37	0
Edrich	5	1	15	0
Goddard	38	15	64	3
Wright	26	3	83	2
Verity	36	13	70	5

—Reuter.

Budge Defeats Vines

New York, Jan. 4.

Donald Budge, most recent addition to the professional ranks in tennis, made an auspicious debut at Madison Square Garden last night when he defeated Ellsworth Vines, former Davis Cup ace, by the score of 6-3, 6-4, 6-2. —Havas.

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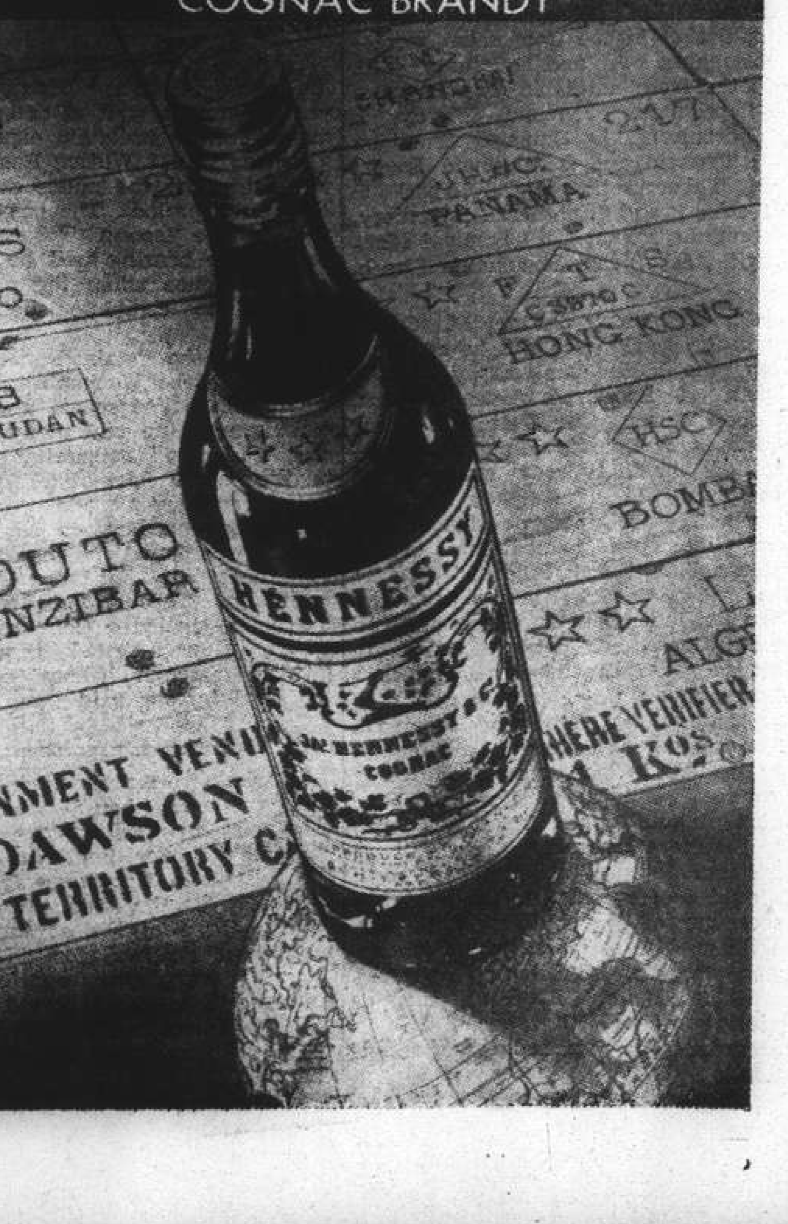

White Russian "Deported"

Mystery of Action Against Mr. N. A. Konovaloff Disturbs Peiping; Is He Being "Squeezed"?

Peiping, Dec. 27.

THE Peiping community has been much exercised over the case of Mr. N. A. Konovaloff, a highly respected member of the White Russian community here. Mr. Konovaloff served for twenty years in the Chinese Maritime Customs, rising to the post of Commissioner, and since his retirement has lived for many years in Peiping. Some months ago he made plans to leave China for good and to take up his residence in the South of France. But when he applied for the necessary papers to enable him and his family to leave the country, all sorts of hindrances were put in his way, and it was intimated to him that he would have to pay a very large sum to the Russian "White House", a White Russian organization under Japanese inspiration and control. A Japanese officer, Major Taki is in charge of it.

Mr. Konovaloff expressed his willingness to contribute a resonable sum towards White Russian charities, but steadfastly refused to purchase his "right to leave the country." Fantastic sums were at first demanded by the "White House", which was finally reduced to a demand for ten thousand dollars.

Imprisoned Without Charge

Things were in this state, when on December 20 Mr. Konovaloff was arrested by the Chinese police and lodged in a cell at a Chinese police-station together with two Chinese criminals. Here he was very harshly treated. No charge of any kind was preferred against him. Indeed, even the Japanese military spokesman, when questioned about the affair by foreign pressmen, had to admit that he himself did not know of any charge.

On the 26th Mr. Konovaloff was taken down to Tientsin by train under an escort of Chinese police and White Russians. His wife and daughter, and a foreign friend were allowed to accompany him. But when the party arrived at the Central Station at Tientsin, Mr. Konovaloff was put in a car and whisked away to an unknown destination.

"Being Deported"

When questioned again today the Japanese military spokesman, speaking with obvious embarrassment, told foreign correspondents that Mr. Konovaloff was being deported, because he was suspected of having relations with the Communists. To anyone who knows Mr. Konovaloff this accusation will appear utterly fantastic. In any case, seeing that he himself was so anxious to leave Peiping some time ago, this story about deporting him is on the face of it absurd.

His many friends are afraid that he has been removed to Tientsin, in the belief that it will be easier, and less noticed, to bring pressure on him there to part with the ten thousand dollars that are being demanded. This is by no means the first case of such activity on the part of the Russian "White House" here or of the illegal arrest, without any charge being preferred, of White Russians who have incurred the enmity of that body; only hitherto those who have suffered have, unfortunately for themselves, been unknown persons.

Reich Naval Plans May Be Too Much

Ambitious Submarine, Cruiser Building May Involve Too Big Cost

Berlin, Jan. 3.

Germany's decision to reach parity with Great Britain in submarine and heavy cruiser fleets was adopted only with the aim of ensuring the security of the Reich's maritime routes, a semi-official communiqué claimed today. This decision was "imposed upon Berlin by circumstances."

The communiqué categorically denied that it had been taken as the result of any third Power's naval programme or that it was directed against any foreign country.

"The alleged German intention to start a naval armament race is fantastic," the communiqué added. It also denied that the Reich intended to exhaust all possibilities for construction afforded by existing treaties.

Competent foreign observers voiced scepticism when questioned upon the building capacity of German naval yards and their ability to permit Germany to reach that high level of naval construction fixed in recent claims. They also emphasized that Germany's denial that her decision to escalate was due to any third Power's construction, was contradictory to reports appearing in the "Essener National Zeitung," Field Marshal Hermann Goering's mouthpiece, and in the "Berliner Boersen Zeitung." These influential news organs explained that Germany's decision to build more submarines and heavy cruisers was due to Soviet Russia's naval programme.—Havas.

Mongolia Opposed to Communism

Pro-Japanese Statement By Prince Teh

Suiyuan, Jan. 4.

Mongolia's rebirth depends upon the reinforcement of the Anti-Comintern bloc, Prince Teh, Chairman of the Mongolian Federated Autonomous Government, said in press interview today.

"With Sinkiang to the west and the Soviet Union to the north, Mongolia is situated in a difficult position, standing on the first anti-Comintern defence lines," he stated. "The achievement of our aim of Mongolian rebirth depends entirely upon the reinforcement of the anti-Comintern bloc. With the advent of the New Year there is arising a new situation in East Asia that is making rapid progress in the rebirth of its races with the moral support of Japan, a friendly neighbour.

"At the beginning of this New Year," Prince Teh continued, "we are determined to push on toward the realization of an eternal peace in East Asia based upon mutual aid and close co-operation of the East Asian races.

"It is only one year since the Mongolian Federated Autonomous Government was established," added Prince Teh, "and though the Government has put forth their efforts for spiritual and material reconstruction, yet it has not been able to achieve outstanding results. We cannot but hope that our entire people should get rid of old evils and make the new year fruitful in the cultivation of knowledge and morality," he concluded.—Domei.

New Gun Factory for Clydeside

Beardmores Shipyard to Be Made Over for Plant

SPECIAL TO THE "N.C.D.N."

London, Jan. 4.

A new Government ordinance factory is to be established at Clydeside, on the site formerly occupied by the famous shipbuilding yard of Messrs. William Beardmore & Co., Ltd., at Dalmuir. An official intimation to this effect was received by the Lord Provost of Glasgow yesterday.

It is anticipated that when the new gun factory is in operation, about 1,000 mechanics will be employed there. The site chosen was selected because it gave adequate means of transport by water, road and rail.

Steps are also being taken to establish an aircraft factory at Dumbarton, while a projectile factory is now nearing completion at Bishopston. When all the projects mature, additional employment will be provided for several thousand workers in the engineering trades.—Reuter.

Gunmen Seek Life of Chinese Author

Peiping, Jan. 4.

Unidentified Chinese attempted yesterday to kill Chou Tso-jen, former professor at the Peiping National University and well-known writer, but failed to find him in his house. One of his servants was killed and one visitor wounded. The Japanese authorities have announced drastic measures to suppress the revival of similar acts of terrorism.—Trans-Ocean.

Wang Ching-wei Still In Hanoi

Would-be Interviewers Refused Audience

Hanoi, Jan. 4.

Rumours that Mr. Wang Ching-wei, ousted Deputy Chief Executive of the Kuomintang, had boarded a Hongkong-bound aeroplane here yesterday were scouted by well-informed French officials today.

The veteran Chinese politician, Domei was reliably informed, is still staying in a quiet retreat outside Hanoi. The location of his residence was a closely-guarded secret among French officials here.

Mr. Wang, Domei learned, proceeded to a hospital in town immediately after his arrival from Kunming on December 21, but at 1 o'clock in the afternoon was requested to leave the institution by a high French official. He then went to this unrevealed retreat in the suburbs.

Surrounded by bodyguards and close friends, Mr. Wang has refused to see anyone, it was understood. Dr. Wang Chung-hui, Foreign Minister, who arrived shortly after Mr. Wang, on a reported mission of Gen. Chiang Kai-shek, Chinese Nationalist leader, was also unable to secure an interview with the former deputy Chief Executive.

Mr. Chou Fo-hai, chief of the Propaganda Department of the Kuomintang, as well as five other members of the party were reliably understood to be sharing Mr. Wang's refuge.

Chinese Consular officials, who have broken relations with Mr. Wang following the publication of his "peace" manifesto on December 30, are, however, keeping a close watch upon his movements, apparently under instructions from Chungking.—Domei.

Incident Closed

Chungking, Jan. 4.

Whereas political circles here are wondering whether Mr. Wang Ching-wei will react in any way to the action of the Kuomintang in depriving him of all his offices, it is learned from a reliable source that the Chinese Government regards the incident as closed. It is pointed out, however, that in the event of Mr. Wang Ching-wei seeking to start negotiations with the Japanese, the Chungking Government would see itself obliged to take further disciplinary measures against him and his supporters. At present the Chinese Government is not contemplating to take any more steps in the matter, it is declared.—Trans-Ocean.

High Death Toll in U.S. Holidays

New York, Jan. 3.

Approximately 500 persons met violent deaths in the United States during the New Year's holidays, United Press reports from all sections of the country indicated today. The heavy holiday death toll included 30 suicides in New York, which even exceeded the local motor car fatalities which numbered 23. Almost half of those losing their lives during the three day holiday period were the victims of car accidents. The motor car death roll mounted to 227 today and was expected to go higher because a number of persons seriously injured were not expected to recover.—United Press.

"N.C.D.N." Photo.

Action-Packed Picture of Tuesday's Game

One of the thrills of the excellent Rugby game between the Services and the Club on Tuesday has here been caught by the camera. Lieut. Kerrich, scrum half for the Combined Services, is snatching up the ball before falling on it to stop a Shanghai rush, while Got, the Services full back, is also making a dive for the ball. From left to right in the picture are:—Savage, Spittle, Kennedy, Kerrich, Carrel, Warner, Yeo, Got, and Pelegry.

U.S. Naval Base at Guam For Philippines Aid

Recommendations to Congress Ignore Possible Annoyance to Japan; Big Expansion Envisaged

Washington, Jan. 4.

EXTENSION of America's lines of defence in the Pacific as far west as Guam, with the strategic development of naval and air bases at Hawaii, Midway, Guam and other Pacific Islands, was urged in the report of the Special Board of Naval Experts headed by Rear-Admiral Arthur Hepburn which the Secretary of Navy, Mr. Claude Swanson, sent to Congress today.

The report recommended fortification of Guam as an advanced fleet base to afford "practical immunity of the Philippines against hostile attack in force." Observers noted that naval experts in the past had advised Congress that Japan would resent such action. The Board made no specific new recommendations regarding defence of the Philippines except in respect to the major plans recommended for Guam.

"Defence of the Philippines involves matters of national policy which takes precedence over the military problem," the report said. "The military problem itself is one whose solution requires measures beyond any that could be recommended by this board within the limits of its precept. Pending a settlement of those questions of broad political and military significance which must be considered in connection with Philippine independence, the Board recommends the maintenance of existing facilities only."

The report, which was compiled in accordance with instructions of the 75th Congress, recommended a programme of strengthening continental defence through the establishment of new air bases and preparations to support the fighting fleet in either the Pacific or Atlantic at any time.

Suggest Sites of Bases

The report said bases should be established at Guantanamo, San Juan, St. Thomas and Cocosola. Enlargement of the air base in the Panama Canal Zone was urged. These measures were deemed imperative for adequate defence of the east coast.

Regarding the Pacific, the report recommended that Wake Island be provided with facilities for one patrol plane squadron and a pier, channel and turning basin. Developments also were recommended on Johnson, Palmyra, Canton and Rose Islands. The practical effects of the various recommendations would strengthen United States lines of communications in defence of the south Pacific as well as the western Pacific.

Admiral Hepburn's report said Hampton Roads, Quantico, Pensacola, San Diego, Alameda and Seattle naval bases should be enlarged and that three secondary bases should be established in Alaska. These included a submarine base at Kodiak Island to accommodate one division, and a base at Unalaska which would permit "extended operations, with or without tender support."

Defence of Philippines

Congress was advised that Midway Island requires accommodations for two submarine divisions and Wake Island provision for one submarine division.

Regarding the establishment of further submarine bases, the report urged that priority be given to Guam, Puerto Rico and the Panama Canal Zone, in the order named. Obervers pointed out that priority was given to the Pacific base, partially because it holds the key in the defence of the Philippines.

"Guam at present is defenceless against a determined attack by any First class Power with bases in the western Pacific," the report said. "With adequate air and submarine protection, a base at Guam would be made secure against anything short of a major effort on the part of any probable enemy—an effort, that is to say, of the same order and magnitude that would be required to establish a footing on the Philippines.

"As long as Guam existed as a strong air and submarine base, hostile operations against the Philippines would be a precarious undertaking. To an even greater extent Guam would greatly impede, if not actually deny, extensive naval operations of a hostile nature to the south, thus greatly simplifying our naval problems should the fleet be called upon for operations in the Far East."—United Press.

Itinerary of Royal Visit Announced

Their Majesties Will Leave Portsmouth in H.M.S. Repulse in May

London, Dec. 4.

An extensive coast to coast tour will be made by the King and Queen during their visit to Canada this year, the itinerary of which will be officially announced in the United Kingdom and Canada this morning.

Their Majesties will leave Portsmouth in the British battle cruiser, H.M.S. Repulse, (32,000 tons), on May 8, and land at Quebec on May 15, where they will spend the night.

After a day at Montreal, they will stay for three nights at Government House, Ottawa. Their Majesties will then cross Canada to the Pacific Coast, visiting in succession Kingston, Toronto, Port Arthur, Fort William, Winnipeg, Regina, Calgary, Banff, Vancouver and Victoria. On the journey eastwards, they will visit Jasper Park, Edmonton, Sascatoon, Sudbury, the Muskoka Lakes District, London, Hamilton, and the Niagara Falls.

They will have periods of complete rest at Banff, Victoria and Jasper Park.

Visit to Washington in June

Between June 8 and June 11, Their Majesties will visit the United States, in accordance with the invitation issued to them by President Roosevelt.

After their visit to the States, they will resume their tour of Canada, visiting Sherbrooke, Moncton, Fredericton, Saint John and Halifax.

They will leave the latter city on board the Repulse for Newfoundland on June 15, visiting St. John's on June 1, and sailing from there on the same evening in the Repulse for Portsmouth.—Reuter.

FUNERAL

Mr. John Bugay

In the presence of relatives and a large number of friends, the remains of the late Mr. John Bugay were laid to rest yesterday afternoon at the Hungjao Road Cemetery. The deceased was a life resident of Shanghai and was employed by Messrs. Bills Motors, Federal Inc. U.S.A. Mr. Bugay died suddenly at his residence here on Tuesday morning at the age of nineteen years. He is survived by two sisters, Jenny and Mary, who were present at the services. The pallbearers were Messrs. George Chen, A. Joseph, S. B. Mendoza and A. S. Tanosaki. Among those sending flowers were:—

Mary and Mickie; Auntie, Uncle and Vincent; Joe and Charlie; Maggie, Jannie and Marie; The Officers, N.C.O's and Men Philippine Company, Shanghai Volunteer Corps; No. 1 Platoon Philippine Company, Shanghai Volunteer Corps; The Work-Shop Staff of Bills Motors; Andy Andico and family; G. Bourne; George Chen; P. Calibo; Charles J. Johnson; David Tao; and others.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of the International Funeral Directors.

Second Barkless Dog For Miss Helen Keller

Japanese Policeman Gives Brother of First Companion

Tokyo, Jan. 4.

Miss Helen Keller, famous blind, deaf, and mute American woman, will soon receive a second "barkless dog" from the Japanese policeman, Mr. Ichiro Ogasawara, of Akita Prefecture, to replace one given to her on her visit to Japan two years ago. The first one, named Kamikaze, became her constant companion. When it died a short time ago it left the American woman disconsolate, reports reaching here said.

A friend of Miss Keller wrote to Mr. Wilfred Fleisher, managing editor of the "Japan Advertiser," asking him to help locate a similar dog. After investigation, Mr. Fleisher learned that Kamikaze had been presented to Miss Keller by the policeman, Ogasawara, an instructor of fencing at a police training school. The latter, informed of Kamikaze's death, immediately offered to donate the brother-dog, Kenzan, to Miss Keller. When Miss Keller was informed by cable of Mr. Ogasawara's second gift to her, she declared: "It is too marvelous, I am too overcome for words," the "Japan Advertiser" reported.—Domei.

President Roosevelt Makes Offer to Duce

Rome, Jan. 3.

The American Ambassador, Mr. William Phillips, had an urgent 45-minute conference with the Italian Premier, Signor Benito Mussolini, tonight under instructions from Washington.

Details of the conference were not divulged, but authoritative sources said Mr. Phillips presented Signor Mussolini with a personal message from President Roosevelt containing certain concrete proposals, the nature of which were not divulged.—United Press.

Mr. Chen Li-fu Said to Have Disappeared

Rightist Kuomintang Head Not in Chungking?

Hongkong, Jan. 4.

Speculation on the whereabouts of Mr. Chen Li-fu, rightist leader of the Kuomintang, was rife here today as his reported disappearance from Chungking gave rise to a rumour that he has followed the precedent set by Mr. Wang Ching-wei and taken refuge in flight.

Mr. Chen's absence from the extraordinary plenary session of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang held on January 1 to decide the expulsion of Mr. Wang revealed his mysterious disappearance, the "South China Daily News," a leading Chinese newspaper, said.

Supporting the belief that Mr. Chen had fled was the alleged fact that copies of his manifesto, which had been distributed among the Chungking papers for publication on New Year's Day, were suddenly withdrawn on December 20, the daily stated.—Domei.

Typhoon Insurance For Japan

Tokyo, Jan. 4.

Demand for protection against losses caused by typhoons and accompanying floods today resulted in the creation of a new type of insurance.

Applicable to all kinds of property, the new storm and flood insurance will cover losses incurred from such natural calamities which have occurred with increasing frequency in disastrous proportions in both the Kwanto and Kwansai areas last year. The Ministry of Commerce and Industry late last year licenced three firms to engage in storm-flood insurance.—Domei.

Escaping Chinese Killed In Hongkong

London, Jan. 4.

According to reports received here from Hongkong, two Chinese soldiers were killed while trying to escape from an internment camp at Hongkong. One was shot by an Indian soldier while the other was stabbed to death with a bayonet.—Trans-Ocean.

Palestine Service Awards

London, Jan. 4.

Awards for gallant and distinguished service in Palestine gazetted last night, include the Military Cross to two officers and a Warrant Officer, and the Military Medal to seven Non-Commissioned Officers. — Wireless through Reuter.

Ex-President of Danzig Senate Expelled

Berlin, Jan. 4.

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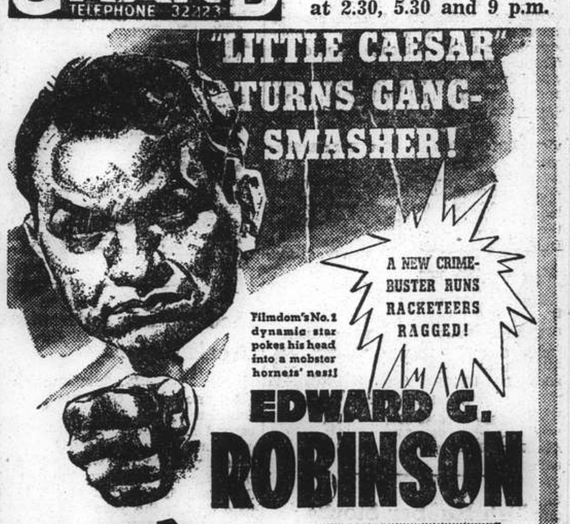

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Hongkong	86	„ (buyers)	1/5 23/32

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	462.50	Shanghai	8¾d N
Paris	176.56	Bombay	1/5 61/64
Berlin	11.53	Hongkong	1/3 1/16
Amsterdam	8.50¾	Singapore	2/4
Brussels	27.42	Yokohama	1/2
Madrid	100.00	„ (buying)	Unq.
Milan	87.90	C'slovakia	134.87S.
Berne	20.47½	S—Sellers. N—Nom.	

New York U.S.$ T. T. on:

Berlin	40.11	Japan	27.00
Spain	Unq.	Shanghai	16.50
Holland	54.38	Austria	Unq.
Paris	2.62 1/16	C'slovakia	3.42¾
Brussels	16.87½	Hungary	19.80
Italy	5.26¼	Rumania	0.73½
S'zerland	22.60½	Jugo Slavia	2.30
Sweden	23.83	Greece	0.85⅛
Norway	23.26	Bulgaria	1.25
Denmark	20.65	Finland	2.05
Montreal	99.150	Poland	18.93½
Brazil	5.95		

London	4.62½
„ Demand	4.62 7/16
„ Bankers' 60 days bills	4.61 11/16
„ Commercial 60 days bills	4.61 11/16
Buenos Aires Paper	28.69
Buenos Aires Paper, Market rate	22.64
Montreal on London	4.66¾

—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London: Jan. 3.

Fine Bank Bills,	3 months,	0 9/16%
Bank Bills,	6 months	0¾%
Fine Trade Bills,	3 months	2¾%
„ „ „	6 months	3¼%
Call Money		0½%

New York:

Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0½%B 0 7/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 9/16%B 0½%A
Call Money	1%

B—Bid. A—Asked.—Reuter.

Manila Gold Shares

(Bids in Pesos)

Jan. 4.	Opening 9.45 a.m.	Prices 2.45 p.m.
Antamok	.52	.52
Balatoc	10.40	10.10
Benguet Consolidated	14.00	14.10
Coco Grove	.54	.56
Consolidated Mines	.003	.003
Demonstration	.27	.28
Masbate	.19	.19
North Camarines	.67	.65
San Mauricio	1.78	1.80
Surigao Consolidated	.39	.40
United Paracale	.67	.68

Turnover: 1,426,000 Pesos.
Shares Index: (closing prices) 115.39
—Reuter.

U.S. Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 3.

Trading in the cotton market was quiet, with fluctuations narrow. The strength of gold and some good buying helped to harden prices, but, on the whole, conditions were featureless. At the final bell, quotations ranged from 6 points up to no change, compared with Friday's final levels.

The rubber market was a dull affair. There was nothing in the news to affect the market either way. Closing quotations were from 10 points down to unchanged from the previous close.

Continued unfavourable weather reports and prospects of large acreage abandonment influenced a higher opening on the Chicago Board of Trade. The strength of Winnipeg and Liverpool advices bolstered sentiment. At the final bell, gains ranging from 1¾ to 2 cents were recorded.

New York Cotton			New York Rubber		
Jan.	8.49-49	+06	Jan.	16.20 N	—10
Mar.	8.49-50	+06	Mar.	16.30-35	—10
May	8.29-30	+06		B/A	
July	8.03-04	+03	May	16.28-28	unc.
Oct.	7.66-66	unc.	July	16.28-28	+01
Dec.	7.69 N	unc.			

New York Sugar No. 4			New York Silk		
Mar.	1.16-16½ B/A	unc.	Jan.	1.78½-79½	—½
May	1.16½-17 B/A	unc.		B/A	

Chicago Wheat			Chicago Corn		
May	70¾-70⅝	+1¾	May	53¼-53⅜	+⅜
July	70⅞-71	+2	July	54¼-54⅜	+⅜
Sept.	71¾-71¾	+2	Sept.	55⅝-55⅝	+½

Winnipeg Wheat

May	64⅛-64⅛	+1¼
July	64¾-64¾	+1½

N—Nom.—Reuter.

British Rubber Stocks

London, Jan. 3.

Stocks of rubber in Great Britain on December 31st were estimated at 86,688 tons, showing a decrease of 936 tons over the previous week. The stocks of rubber in London on December 31 totalled 55,632 tons, showing a decrease of 993 tons, while the stock at Liverpool was listed at 31,056 tons, representing an increase of 57 tons.

British rubber deliveries during the week ended December 31 totalled 1,482 tons, compared with 1,418 tons during the previous week. Deliveries in London during this period totalled 1,210 tons, compared with 1,008 tons during the previous week—an increase of 202 tons. Liverpool deliveries, with a total of 272 tons, revealed a decrease of 139 tons under the previous week.—Reuter.

Silver Price Jumps In London Market

London, Jan. 3.

Silver touched 21⅛ here today, the highest point since April 13, 1937, as bears covered because of the belief that the United States price for foreign silver would not be changed.

Financial experts believed President Roosevelt's action in retaining the 69.69 cents per ounce rate for domestic silver indicated the United States Treasury anticipated no change in the foreign silver price.—United Press.

Bank of France Reduces Discount

Paris, Jan. 4.

The Bank of France today reduced its rate of discount from 2½ per cent. to 2 per cent.—Reuter.

Estimated Output of Rubber for December

	lb.
Langkat	74,000
Shanghai-Sumatra	42,000

London Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 3.

Trading on the Stock Exchange opened the New Year in a quietly confident atmosphere, though the disappointing volume of trading caused a partial loss of initial gains in most groups.

Industrials for the most part finished higher, while oils showed some resistance.—Reuter.

	Dec. 30	Jan. 3
War Loan 3½% (Red.)	£95⅛	98
JAPANESE BONDS		
Japan 5% Stg. Loan, 1907	42½	42½
Japan 6% Stg. Loan, 1924	52½	52½
	Osaka, Jan. 4.	
Kogo 5%		Y.103.65
COMMERCIAL AND INDUSTRIAL		
Allied Ironfounders	19/-	19/-
Armstrong Stevens	8/3	8/1½
Assoc. Elec. Indus.	33/6	33/9
Austin Motors, ord.	24/9	24/9
Bristol Aeroplane, ord.	23/3	23/6
British American Tob.	95/7½	95/7½
Cable & W., new form	35½	35½
Cammell Laird, ord.	7/9	7/9
Courtaulds	29/6	29/6
Distillers	89/4½	89/3
Dunlop Rubber	23/6	23/6
General Elec. (Eng.)	76/6	76/9
Guinness (A) Son & Co.	104/6	105/-
Hawker Siddeley Aircraft	24/10½	24/10½
Imp. Chem. Indus.	30/9	30/9
Imp. Tobacco	130/7½	130/7½
Leyland Motors	86/10½	86/10½
Marks & Spencer "A" ord.	55/6	55/6
Pressed Steel, com.	15/-	15/9
Rolls-Royce	110/10½	111/3
Smethwick Drop Forgings	16/9	16/9
Tate & Lyle	55/6	56/4½
Turner & Newall	77/1½	77/7½
United Steel	23/6	23/9
Vickers, ord.	23/1½	23/6
Woolworths	58/6	58/6
MISCELLANEOUS		
Anglo Dutch	26/-	26/6
Rubber Pltn. Trust.	28/-	28/4½
MINES		
Burma Corp.	8/7½	8/9
Commonwealth Min.	1/4½	1/4½
Marsman Invests.	16/6	16/6
Randfontein Ests.	40/-	40/-
Sub-Nigel	234/4	234/4
Tanami Gold Min.	6d.	6d.
Western Holdings	13/-	12/9
OILS		
Anglo Iranian	90/7½	90/7½
Burmah	83/9	83/9
Mexican Eagle	5/3	5/1½
Shell Trans. & Trad.	82/6	83/1½
CHINESE EXTERNAL LOANS, ETC.		
4½% Gold Loan, 1898	£78	74x
5% Gold Bonds, 1925-47	76	76
4½% Anglo-French Loan	56	56
5% Crisp Loan, 1912	37	36½
5% Reorg. Loan, 1913	58	54XD
8% Stg. Notes, 1925	13¾	13
5% Honan Rly., 1905	27	26
5% Hukuang Rly., 1911	25½	24
5% „ „ (Ger. Is.)	23½	22½
5% Lung Tsing U. H. Rly.	14	14
5% S'hai-Nanking Rly.	24½	24
5% T'tsin-Pukow Rly. B.	18	17
5% „ „ G.	18	17
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) B.	17	16
5% „ „ (Supl. Loan) G.	17	16
5% Canton-Kowloon Rly.	19	19
S'hai Elec. Construction	25/- N	25/- N
S'hai Waterworks "A"	19½ N	19½ N
Un. Ins. Soc. of Canton	30½	30½
Chartd. Bank of I. A. & C.	9⅛	9¼
H. & S. Bank (Ldn. Reg.)	88½	92
„ „ (Col. Reg.)	90	92
Chinese Eng. & Min.	17/6	17/6
Chosen Corp.	7/-	7/-
Pekin Syndicate	2/4 N	2/4 N
Gula Kalumpong Rubber	21/3	22/6

x—Ex drawing. XD—Ex dividend. N—Nominal.

British Commodities

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

London, Jan. 3.

The commodity markets ruled quiet but relatively steady.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 8 3/16 unch. sellers 8¾ unch. February delivery, buyers 8¼ unch. sellers 8 5/16 unch;
London Sugar (Buyers): Mar. 6/4 +½: May 6/4 +½; August 6/3¾ +½;
Liverpool Wheat: March 4/9½ +¾; May 4/9½ +⅜; July (new contract) 4/8⅜
Liverpool Cotton: American Futures: Jan. 4.98 +7; Mar. 4.94 +5; May 4.88 +4; July 4.76 +4; Egyptian Futures (Giza, F.G.F. No. 7): Jan. 7.20 +2; Mar. 7.18 —3; May 7.19 —3;
London Metals: Copper, Standard, cash, sellers £44⅝ unch; 3 mths sellers £44⅞ unch; Electrolytic, buyers £50 unch; sellers £50¾ unch; Tin, Standard, cash, sellers £217¼ —¼; 3 mths sellers £218¼ +⅛; Lead, foreign, official price, sellers £14 1/16 —1/16; 3 mths delivery, official price, sellers £15⅛ —⅛; Spelter, Ordinary, official price, sellers £13¾ —⅜; 3 mths del. official price, sellers £14 —⅛;—Reuter.

Income Tax Collections Break Record

Washington, Jan. 2.

Income tax collections in the calendar year of 1938 broke all record since 1920, Treasury Department statistics disclosed today. The Treasury's records will not be complete for several days but the latest figures indicate that income taxes paid during the year of 1938 on 1937 incomes aggregate approximately U.S.$2,600,000,000.

The Republican National Committee reported it received U.S.$1,572,985 during 1938 and spent about U.S.$5,000 more than it received. The Democratic National Committee reported receipts of U.S.$1,041,000 and expenditures of U.S.$1,039,000 with a balance of U.S.$10,000 on hand.—United Press.

German Note Issue Increased

Berlin, Jan. 3.

A total note circulation of 8,223,000,000 Reichsmarks was revealed in the return of the German Reichsbank for the week ended December 28, which was published today. This represents an increase of 557,000,000 Reichsmarks, from the previous week.—Reuter.

Steel Mill Operations

New York, Jan. 3.

The American Iron and Steel Institute, in its weekly report, placed steel mill activity for the week commencing January 2, at 50.7 per cent. of capacity.

This represents a gain of 11.9 per cent. over the previous week and of 25.1 per cent. over the corresponding period of last year.—Reuter.

Berlin Bourse

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The share market was irregular today with only little business being transacted. Siemens gained 1½ points with 191. Salzdetfurth Potash was 1¼ up with 138¼ while Contigummi lost 1¼ dropping to 205¾, while Niederlausitzer Kohle declined 1½ to 146.—Trans-Ocean.

Reichsmark Quotations

Berlin, Jan. 3.

The Reichsmark was quoted today at New York, 40.13; Paris, 1529; Amsterdam, 73.725 to 73.77; London, 11.55. Paris quoted sterling at 176⅝ to 176 11/16 and the gold dollar at 38.10.—Trans-Ocean.

New York Stocks

Tuesday's Closing Quotations

New York, Jan. 3.

Prices at the opening of Wall Street today ruled firm, but soon afterwards the market eased on the weakness of sterling and some selling by weak holders who were not disposed to retain their positions until the contents of President Roosevelt's message to Congress have been made known. However, continued good business news, the sharp recovery in steel mill activity to 50.7 per cent. of capacity and the general feeling that both the Administration and business will work out a co-operative programme to further the industrial recovery during the early part of the year. The volume of trading amounted to 1,150,000 shares.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	154.99	153.16	153.64	—1.12
20 Rails	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
15 Utilit.	23.20	22.73	[illegible]	—0.17
40 Bonds	—	—	90.62	+0.13
11 Commod.	—	—	45.19	+0.24

	Jan. 2	3
Adams Express	10⅞	10¾
Allegheny Ludlum Steel	27⅜	26¾
Allis Chalmers	47¾	47⅝
Amerada Corp.	B 69	69½
Amer. Can	100¾	100⅝
Amer. & For. Power	3½	3⅜
„ „ $7 pfd.	19	19¼
Amer. Locomotive	30¼	29⅞
Amer. Metal	40	B 39¼
Amer. Radiator	18	18⅛
Amer. Rolling Mill	22⅛	21½
Amer. Smelting	51¾	52
Amer. Sugar Refining	21½	22½
Amer. Tel. & Tel.	150	149½
Amer. Tobacco "B"	88¾	89½
Amer. Waterworks	14	13½
Anaconda Copper	35⅛	34⅛
Atchison, T. & S. Fe	41¼	40½
Auburn	3⅝	3⅝
Baltimore & Ohio	8	7⅞
Barber Asphalt Corp.	20½	20
Barnsdall Oil Co.	18⅞	19⅛
Bethlehem Steel	78⅝	76⅝
Boeing Airplane Co.	34⅝	33
Borg Warner	31⅝	31½
Briggs Mfg. Co.	31½	30⅞
Brooklyn-Manhattan Trans.	12	12
„ $6 cum. pfd.	39½	40½
Can. Pacific Rly.	6¼	5⅞
Case, J.I.	89¾	90
Chase Nat. Bank	B 32¼	B 31½
Chesapeake & Ohio	38⅛	38½
Chrysler	82⅞	81¼
Columbia Gas & Elec.	7⅛	7⅛
„ „ "A" pfd.	76	74½
Coml. Credit	56¾	56⅛
Comm. & Southern	1⅝	1½
„ $6 cum. pfd.	45¾	45¼
Consolid. Edison	31¼	30⅝
Consolid. Oil	9	9
Continental Can	43	43⅜
Continental Oil	31¼	30¾
Corn Products	66½	66½
Curtiss Wright (com.)	7¼	7⅛
„ „ "A"	27⅞	27⅜
Distillers Corp. Seagrams	20	19⅝
Douglas Aircraft	79⅛	76⅞
Du Pont de Nemours	154½	153½
Eagle Picher Lead	14½	14
Elec. Bond & Sh.	11¼	11⅛
„ „ $5 pfd.	58	60½
„ „ $6 pfd.	64½	66½
Elec. Power & Lt.	38¾	37¼
Flintkote	31⅛	30¼
Gen. Amer. Trans. Corp.	59	58
Gen. Elec.	43½	43¼
Gen. Motors	50⅛	49½
Gen. Rly. Signal	26½	26
Glidden Co.	23⅞	23⅜
Goodrich (B.F.)	24⅞	24
„ $5 pfd.	B 64	64¾
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	37⅝	37¼
Great Nthrn. Iron Ore	14⅛	14½
Great Nthrn. Rly.	30⅛	29⅞
Great Western Sugar	26¼	B 25¾
Greyhound Corp.	19⅞	19¾
Hecker Products	11	11
Homestake Min.	B 64	64½
Int. Nickel	56⅛	54½
Int. Tel. & Tel.	9⅜	9⅜
Johns Manville	105	104
Kennecott	43¾	42¾
Libby-Owens-Ford Glass	54⅜	53½
Lockheed Aircraft	36⅞	34½
Loew's Inc.	54⅛	53½
Manhattan Shirt Co.	B 12¼	B 11¾
Martin, Glenn L. Co.	36⅞	34
Mckesson & Rob. $3 pfd.	8/8½ B/A	8½/9¼ B/A
Monsanto Chemical	110	110½
Montgomery Ward	51¾	50¼
Nat. City Bank	B 25¾	B 24½
Nat. Dairy Products	13¼	13¼
Nat. Distillers	28	27⅞
Nat. Cypsum	16⅛	16¼
Nat. Lead	27⅛	27
Nat. Power & Lt.	8¼	8¼
Nat. Supply Co.	15¼	14⅞
New York Central	21¾	21½
North Amer. Aviation	19⅞	18⅝
North Amer.	23	22⅝
Northern Pacific	14⅛	13¾
Pacific Gas & Elec.	29¼	29
Pacific Lighting	B 42	43½
Packard Motors	4⅝	4½
Paramount Pictures Inc.	13⅝	13¾
Pennsylvania R.R.	24⅛	24
Phelps Dodge	43⅜	43
Phillips Petroleum	43⅝	43¼
Public Serv. of N.J.	32⅝	32½
Pure Oil	11	10¾
Radio Corp. of Amer.	8	8⅛
Republic Steel Co.	24⅜	24¼
Reynolds Tobacco "B"	44½	44⅝
Schenley	17½	17
„ 5½% pfd.	B 69	69
Sears Roebuck	73¼	73¼
Shell Union Oil	15⅛	14⅞
Socony-Vacuum	13½	13⅝
Sthrn. Pacific	21	20⅝
Sthrn. Rly. $5 pfd.	33	32½
Stand. Brands	7	7
Stand. Gas & Elec.	3⅝	3⅝
Stand. Oil of N.J	53⅛	52
Stone & Webster	16¾	16½
Swift International	27⅜	27⅜
Technicolor	22¼	21¾
Texas Corp.	48	47½
Texas Gulf Sulphur	32⅜	32¼
Transamerica	6¾	6¾
Tw. Century Fox Film.	26¼	25¾
„ „ pfd.	B 34½	B 34¼
Un. Carbide & Carbon	89⅝	89⅝
Un. Pacific	98	97
United Aircraft	42¾	40
Un. Air Lines Trans.	12⅞	12½
Un. Corp.	3¼	3⅛
„ $3 pfd.	34	33⅝
Un. Gas Corp.	3¼	3⅛
Un. Gas Improvement	11¾	11¾
U. S. Rubber	52	50½
„ 8% pfd.	102	102¼
U. S. Steel	69⅛	68
Vanadium	27⅞	27⅞
Warner Bros. Picts.	6¼	6½
Westinghouse Elec.	119½	118
Woodward Iron	B 25¼	B 24¼
BONDS		
Amer. & For. Power	52¾	52½
Brazil	10¼	9⅞
Baltimore & Ohio R.R.	20⅜	21⅜
Cities Serv. Pwr.	77⅜	76⅜
Erie R.R.	14	13¾
Int. Tel. & Tel. Conv.	B 99¾	—
Int. Tel. & Tel.	68⅞	69½
New England Gas & Elec.	B 54⅛	B 54⅛
Peru	10¼	10¼
Sthrn. Pacific R.R.	54¾	54¾
Stand. Gas & Elec.	59⅜	B 59⅜

WEEKLY CLOSING STOCKS

	Dec. 27	Jan. 3
Air Associates	B 10¼	11
Alaska Juneau	9¾	9⅞
Amer. Brake Shoe & Fdry.	48½	51⅛
Ass. Gas & Elec.	7	8
Atlan. Gulf & W.	B 10	12½
Atlan. Refining	21¾	22⅝
Atlas Corp.	8	8¼
Baltimore & Ohio $4 pfd.	8½	9¾
Bank of America	B 32¼	B 34¾
Bendix Aviation	27¼	28¼
Borden Co.	16¼	16⅝
Celanese Corp.	23⅛	23¼
Chesapeake Corp.	22¾	23¼
Chic. & North Western	0½	0⅞
Coml. Solvents	9½	11⅜
Consumers Pwr. $40.50	B 93½	B 94
Corn Products 7%	**B175½	B 176
Coty Inc.	4¼	4⅝
Crane Co.	35½	37
Delaware & Hudson	22½	24
Dist. Corp.	B 84	B 84
Elec. Auto-Lite	33½	33¾
Elec. Boat Co.	11¾	14⅞
Elec. Power & Lt.	10¼	11⅜
Elec. Storage Battery	28¾	29¾
Freeport Sulphur	28⅜	30
Gen. Cigar	22½	23⅝
Gen. Foods	38	39¼
Gen. Mills	77½	78
Granby Cons. Mining	7¾	7½
Int. Dept. Stores	13⅜	14
Lorillard	20⅝	21¼
Masonite Corp.	55¾	57¼
Mountain City Copper	6	6⅜
Mueller Brass	25⅝	28½
Nash Kelvinator	8	8½
Nat. Power & Lt.	68	B 70¼
Niagara Hudson Power	7¼	7¾
Pation Mines	B 10½	11⅛
Pullman Inc.	36⅛	38
Sthrn. Cal. Edison	22¼	24⅛
Sthrn. Rly.	21¼	22¼
Sterling Products	70	71⅛
Texas Pacific Land Trust	8½	8¾
Tidewater Ass. Oil	12¾	13⅞
Timken Detroit Axle	17	18
Un. Biscuit	16¼	16
Un. Light & Pwr. "A"	1¾	2⅝
U. S. Pipe & Fdry.	45⅞	46⅞
U. S. Realty & Imp.	4¾	5¼
U. S. Smelt. Ref.	**61	61½
Westinghouse Air Brakes	**31⅛	29¾
Yellow Truck & Coach "B"	18	20¾
Youngstown Sheet & Tube	51½	53⅝

A—Asked B—Bid *Ex dividend.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Summary

by Courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

On the Stock Exchange today traders lightened their positions as a precautionary measure pending President Roosevelt's message. Simultaneous with the decline in aviations, utilities weakened on rumours that the Government is planning to build an experimental plant in the T.V.A. area. Meanwhile, business news has again swung into action, with steels jumping into the lead on operations being listed at 50.7 per cent. of capacity. Most quarters are of the opinion that 1939 will be a better business year than 1938, with indications that Congress will show a more friendly attitude towards business than it has done for the past nine years.

By Courtesy of S. E. Levy & Co.

The behaviour of the market during the past week confirmed its underlying strength. With a rising volume on the upswing, the market is still showing the disadvantage of holding cash to stocks, with appreciation of industrials in a month by 5½ per cent.

Business indices are still close to peak levels without any over-accumulation of inventories in the textile, oil, steel, automobile and merchandising fields.

Commodity prices are starting the year at levels which are 4 per cent. below those of a year ago.

Interest centres in the Presidential message to Congress tomorrow, as, if it is unaggressive and lacking in new reform requests, business sentiment will be greatly heartened. The main Congressional tasks have a definite business stimulant effect, comprising railroad earnings, power rehabilitation, continuance of broad agricultural relief, continuance of emergency relief, defense expenditures, probable defeat of the Patman anti-chain store measure and a more kindly attitude towards utilities.

Considering the importance of the volume of tax-selling and year end liquidation, the unobtrusive strength of the market and quality of the buying induces the belief that dormant speculative buying may be released by some single event or chain of events.

Barron's Weekly Index, adjusted for trend, is placed at 78.

Diamond Industry Setback

Almost Certain that 1938 will be Poorest Year Since 1935 but Trade Hopeful

THE latest interruption to Wall Street's recovery has been a great disappointment to the international diamond trade. After a long period of rising demand, from the middle of 1932 until the early autumn of 1937, international sales of diamonds suffered a heavy decline in the autumn of 1937 and the winter and spring of 1938. Last summer, however, a rally coincided with more active conditions in Wall Street. It is true that in the first three quarters of this year the total imports of diamonds into the U.S. were only $19,255,269, compared with $37,144,344 in the corresponding period of last year. But the imports of last September, at $3,369,816, were nearly three times those of June, the worst month of the year, when the total was only $1,219,719. The September figure was, in fact, the highest for twelve months. The improvement was maintained in October, but at the beginning of November a new and sharp fall occurred, states "The Financial News" of December 6.

Although the diamond trade is hopeful that the latest setback will be short, it is already almost certain that 1938, as a whole, will be the poorest year for the trade since 1935. So far as can be ascertained, the Diamond Trading Company (the international selling syndicate) sold stones valued at £1,500,000 in the first half of this year. By the end of the third quarter the total had reached about £3,500,000. Since the middle of November, however, the syndicate has discontinued its "sights" until January next, in order to prevent the new setback in demand from having an adverse effect in diamond prices. Consequently, the total sales for the current year are likely to fall slightly short of £5,000,000—a figure which compares with £9,300,000 in 1937, £8,250,000 in 1936, and £6,250,000 in 1935.

Drop in Sales

Unfortunately, the sharp drop in world sales of uncut stones is not the only adverse development in the international diamond trade in 1938. During the first three quarters of this year, sales of cut and polished diamonds in Amsterdam and Antwerp have fallen by about one-half and the decline for the whole of 1938 can hardly be much less. On the other hand, the world output of diamonds has remained relatively high. In 1937, world production attained a new record for all time at 9,550,000 metric carats, the next highest figure being 8,240,000 carats in 1936. In the first half of this year, the South African diamond output was 623,560 metric carats, against 381,190 metric carats a year earlier. No reliable production statistics for the other large producing countries are yet available, but as South Africa is accustomed to curtail her production much more rapidly than other producers, it can be confidently assumed that world output has increased rather than diminished in 1938. Since sales have been considerably reduced—South Africa sold only 306,093 carats in the first six months of 1938, against 523,101 carats in the corresponding period of 1937—an appreciable increase in stocks has obviously taken place.

This year's decline has not been confined to sales of gem stones, but has extended also to industrial diamonds. Of these, the United States is by far the largest user. It is also the only country which publishes details of its purchases. These show a total for the first three quarters of 1938 of 888,369 carats, against 1,349,815 carats in the same period of 1937. Industrial stones comprise about two-thirds of the annual world output of diamonds, by quantity, although their value is normally less than a quarter of the whole. As much as 50 to 60 per cent. of the diamonds used in industry are destroyed after twelve months' employment. For that reason, the sharp decline in the United States import figures—a reflection of lower industrial activity—is a less alarming symptom for the trade than the lower sales of gem stones. Actually, the use of diamonds in industry continued to increase, quite recently. Apart from standard uses, such as rock-drilling and glass-cutting, diamonds are now used largely in the armament, aeroplane, motor car and engineering industries, where they are employed for trueing wheels, tools, drills, dies, etc. Systematic research into new uses for industrial diamonds has been organized by the producers in recent years, and even during the last twelve months new progress has been achieved in the employment of boart (diamond dust) in various tools and machine tools. In spite of this year's interruption, therefore, the trend of demand for industrial diamonds is likely to be upwards for some time to come.

Despite the contraction of world turnover this year, the price level and the undertone of the diamond market have remained remarkably firm. The new organization of the world diamond industry, built up since 1933, has weathered the storm remarkably well. The maintenance of prices is decisively important for the market, in view of its helpful effect on confidence, in a trade where psychological factors play a large part in every recovery. At the same time, the sharp reaction in turnover has had an inevitable effect on the financial position of the leading diamond producers.

De Beers' Prospects

The share market had its first shock in the middle of this year, when the board of De Beers announced that payment of the half-yearly Preference dividend would be postponed in order to preserve the company's cash resources. Experience in recent years indicates that every change of £1,000,000 in the sales of the Diamond Trading Company affects the diamond account of De Beers by approximately £300,000. In 1937, the total of that account was £2,536,600. If world sales decline this year by about £4,500,000, the account may be reduced to slightly less than £1,200,000. The company's expenses are covered by its income from other sources, and a full year's distribution on the 40 per cent. Preference shares requires £800,000. Thus De Beers should earn its full 1938 Preference dividend, in spite of reduced diamond sales. Whether the dividend will be paid, of course, is entirely a matter of policy. Naturally, a strong and liquid financial position is highly valuable in a period when the market is depressed but even if the Preference dividend were paid, the company would still have large liquid resources. Moreover, there are reasonable prospects of an improvement in world demand next year if international political tension does not increase. Thus, the board may conceivably decide to pay the full Preference dividend, but it is unlikely that the Deferred shares will receive a distribution this year. Last year their earnings, after deduction of one year's Preference dividend, were equivalent to as much as 54.1 per cent. and this year's figure may well be over 10 per cent. It would not be surprising, however, if the company were to retain these profits pending an improvement in world diamond sales.

The position of Consolidated Diamond Mines of South West Africa does not differ greatly from that of De Beers. This company also has deferred the payment of its Preference dividend for the first half of 1938. A full dividend on the 7½ per cent. Preference shares requires £168,000, and last year the company earned £440,324. Even if this year's total were halved, it would still cover the Preference dividend and leave a surplus of 2 to 2½ per cent. on the Ordinary capital. The Ordinary shares, which received 10 per cent. last year, the first distribution since 1929, may fall temporarily out of the dividend list again this year. The Preferred shares, however, have a reasonable prospect of receiving their full dividend unless the board takes a conservative view of the diamond outlook and conserves its earnings against possible future contingencies.

Among the other diamond-producing companies, the Consolidated African Selection Trust appears to be in a relatively strong position. This company, which benefits directly from the secular upward trend of demand for industrial diamonds, paid satisfactory dividends throughout the last slump. It certainly should not disappoint its shareholders in future. Recently the company has reduced its production costs. Although output has been reduced recently, both on the Gold Coast and in Sierra Leone, production costs are still remarkably low. As Mr. Chester A. Beatty, the chairman, pointed out at the recent annual meeting, the company's business has now greater potential earning capacity than at any time in its history. Nevertheless, the earnings in the year ended June 30 last felt the effect of the setback in the diamond market and dropped from £440,293 to £278,618. Since the end of the company's financial year the market has been slightly firmer, and recovery may well make headway early next year, despite the new reaction of the last few weeks. It is still early, however, to express any decided view on C.A.S.T.'s earnings prospects in 1938-39 But there is a reasonable chance of an improvement on the last results, which, apart from the first quarter, covered the weakest period of demand for diamonds since the last slump.

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The Municipality is also planning to create agencies in South America and the South Seas, and will send representatives with samples to these points early in this year. Chinese merchants from North China will be invited to come here to establish trade contacts.—Domei.

Business Improving In U.S.

Washington, Jan. 2.

The Social Security Board said today that business is definitely improving in the United States. The Board announced here that the various states paid out 21 per cent. less in unemployment compensation during November than in the previous month. Twenty of the 29 states which paid benefits reported reductions ranging from 21 per cent. to almost 36 per cent. The largest drop was in Michigan were thousands of men have been re-hired in the automobile industry.—United Press.

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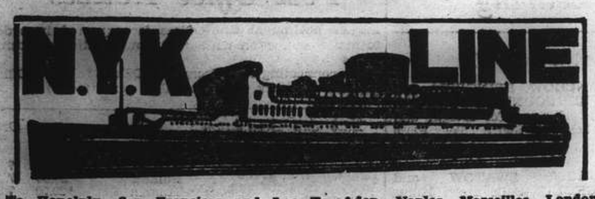

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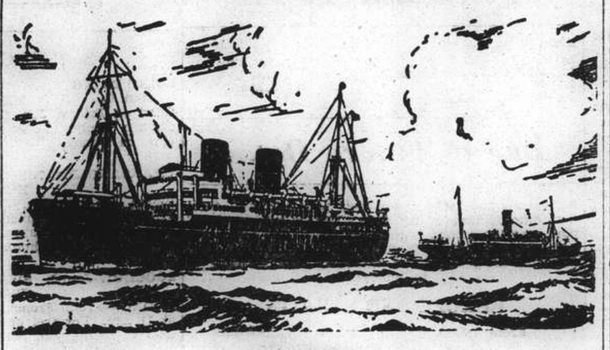

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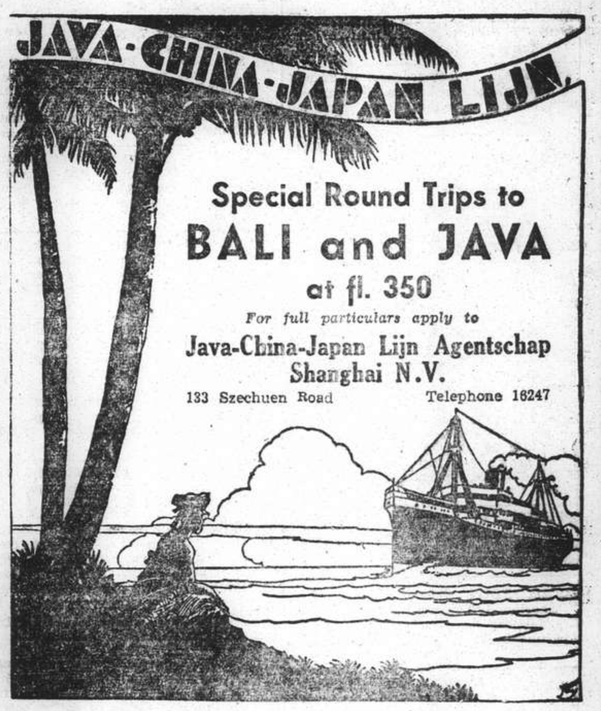

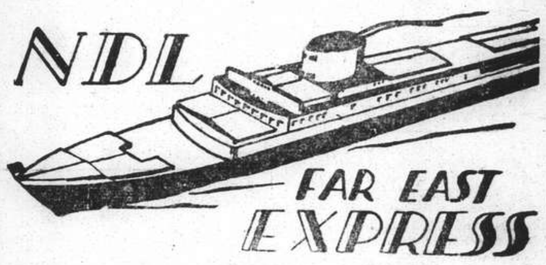

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Taiseunhong	Hongkong	Jardine
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H.M.S. Scarab	Cruise	—
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Tungwo	Hsinkong	Jardine
Tyosa M.	Keelung	O.S.K.
Ave-Maria	Tungchow	Tung Lee
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Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Kiangting	Ger.	Foo Hwa
Luise	Ger.	Keh Lee
Suiwo	Br.	Jardine
Conte Rosso	Br.	B. & S.
Wusueh	Ital.	Lloyd T.
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Chialing M.	Jap.	N.K.K.
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Bee	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
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Mantis	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Scorpion	Br.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.
Suffolk	Br.	Cr.	B.N.B.
Isabel	Am.	Slp.	B.N.B.
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	Y.P.D.W.
Monocacy	Am.	Slp.	U.S.N.B.
Primauguet	Fr.	Cr.	F.N.B.
Tahure	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
B. Colleoni	Itl.	Cr.	J.N.B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	J.N.B.
Asahi	Jap.	Rps.	8/9 B.
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Idzumo	Jap.	Cr.	N.Y.K.M.W.
K'kamisan M.	Jap.	Tr.	38/39 B.
Murasame 2	Jap.	Dest.	6/7 B.
Nitto M.	Jap.	Tr.	36/37 B.
Nissei M.	Jap.	Tr.	40/41 B.
Ondo M.	Jap.	Tr.	27/28 B.
Shusan M.	Jap.	Tr.	39/40 B.
Tamayu M. 3	Jap.	Tr.	1/2 B.
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EUROPE AND STRAITS

Ship	Dep.	Due
From OSLO		
Triton	19/10	9/1
Tarn	19/11	12/1
Talabot	17/12	12/2
From GDYNIA		
Titan	15/11	10/1
Eumaeus	13/12	3/2
From GLASGOW		
Sarpedon	19/11	6/1
Deucalion	3/12	19/1
Patroclus	17/12	1/2
Memnon	31/12	16/2
From LIVERPOOL		
Sarpedon	26/11	6/1
Lycaon	3/12	18/1
Deucalion	10/12	19/1
Perseus	17/12	28/1
Cyclops	31/12	15/2
From LONDON		
Rajputana	2/12	9/1
Soudan	10/12	23/1
Ranchi	16/12	23/1
Yasukuni M.	23/12	27/1
Ranpura	30/12	6/2
From HAMBURG		
Panama	15/11	7/1
Lippe	12/11	9/1
Zuiderkerk	21/11	14/1
Elbe	10.12	15/1
Gneisenau	24/12	27/1
From ROTTERDAM		
Preussen	25/11	9/1
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Gneisenau	29/12	27/1
Rheinland	23/12	5/2
Tjikembang	29/12	11/2
From ANTWERP		
Zuiderkerk	21/11	14/1
Fulda	29/12	15/2
From LISBON		
Talabot	4/1	12/2
From GIBRALTAR		
Ranpura	3/1	6/2
From MARSEILLES		
F. Roussel	23/12	20/1
Athos II	6/1	3/2
From GENOA		
Zuiderkerk	11/12	14/1
Victoria	22/12	15/1
From TRIESTE		
Himalaya	20/11	9/1
From PORT SAID		
Elbe	23/12	15/1
Patroclus	5/1	1/2
From SUEZ		
Leverkusen	24/12	21/1
Yasukuni M.	4/1	27/1
Eumaeus	3/1	3/2
From DJIBOUTI		
Felix Roussel	3/1	20/1
From BOMBAY		
Soudan	2/1	23/1
Ranchi	5/1	23/1
From COLOMBO		
Himalaya	21/12	9/1
Tarn	24/12	12/1
From KARACHI		
Sumatra	15/12	11/1
From PENANG		
Eumaeus	24/12	3/2
Rajputana	30/12	9/1
From SINGAPORE		
Triton	25/12	9/1
Preussen	28/12	9/1
Lycaon	5/1	18/1
From SOERABAIA		
Tjisalak	19/12	9/1
Tjisadane	23/2	9/1
From BATAVIA		
Tjisalak	23/12	9/1
From MANILA		
Lippe	29/12	9/1
Tjisadane	31/12	9/1
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		

AMERICA AND JAPAN

Ship	Dep.	Due
From NEW YORK		
Silveryew	23/11	10/1
Gret. Maersk	23/11	12/1
Tai Yin	24/11	12/1
C. Florence	19/11	15/1
Eskbank	7/12	24/1
Grete Maersk	10/12	25/1
Java. Prince	—	25/1
C. Bedford	17/12	14/2
Stentor	27/12	17/2
From SAVANNAH		
Stentor	1/1	17/2
From VANCOUVER		
Oakbank	—	10/1
Talthybius	27/12	21/1
From SEATTLE		
Talthybius	17/12	21/1
Tyndareus	19/1	22/2
From SAN FRANCISCO		
Silveryew	10/12	10/1
From HONGKONG		
See "China Ports" below.		
From OTARU		
Agamemnon	28/12	20/1
Antilochus	30/12	17/1
From YOKOHAMA		
Hakusan M.	2/1	9/1
From KOBE		
Hakusan M.	5/1	9/1

AFRICA AND AUSTRALIA

Ship	Dep.	Due
From LOUR. MARQUES		
Tegelberg	8/12	22/1
Harmattan	—	7/2
From DURBAN		
Tegelberg	20/12	22/1
From MELBOURNE		
Nellore	3/12	9/1
Tanda	4/1	9/2

CHINA PORTS

Ship	Dep.	Due
From DAIREN		
Dairen M.	3/1	6/1
Tsingtao M.	6/1	9/1
Hoten M.	9/1	12/1
Dairen M.	12/1	15/1
From TIENTSIN		
Liangchow	31/12	6/1
Taisang	31/12	6/1
Hangsang	30/12	9/1
Shuntien	8/1	11/1
Hunan	8/1	12/1
From TSINGTAO		
Yingchow	3/1	6/1
From HSINKONG		
Wusueh	5/1	5/1
From CHANGWAHKONG		
Suiwo	5/1	5/1
From HUPUKOW		
Shunwo	5/1	5/1
From CHITUNG		
Liwo	5/1	5/1
From AMOY		
Tjisalak	6/1	9/1
From HONGKONG		
Tjisadane	4/1	7/1
Kwangtung	4/1	8/1
Nellore	5/1	9/1
Tsinan	3/1	8/1
Hupeh	5/1	9/1
Titan	5/1	10/1
Yatshing	6/1	10/1
Kingyuan	6/1	10/1
Sinkiang	7/1	11/1
Szechuen	10/1	14/1

Vessels Leaving

NORTH CHINA COAST

FAUSANG Jan. 5. TSINGTAO.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Thursday, Jan. 5, at 2 p.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 5-1

HOIHOW Jan. 5. TSINGTAO, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN. — From French Bund on Thursday, Jan. 5, at 9.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-1

TAISEUNHONG Jan. 6. TSINGTAO, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Buoys on Friday, Jan. 6, at noon. Tender from Customs Jetty at 11 a.m. Friday. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 6-1

SHENGKING Jan. 7. WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—From French Bund on Saturday, Jan. 7, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 7-1

TAKSANG Jan. 7. CHEFOO and TIENTSIN.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 10.30 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 7-1

SOUTH CHINA COAST

KIANGSU Jan. 5. SWATOW, HONGKONG, HOIHOW, PAKHOI and HAIPHONG. —From French Bund on Thursday, Jan. 5, at 2 p.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-1

YUNNAN Jan. 5. AMOY and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Thursday, Jan. 5, at 9.30 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 5-1

Vessels Leaving

SOUTH CHINA COAST

HSIN PEKING Jan. 6. CHUANCHOW, HSINGWHA and MEICHEN SOUND.—From French Bund on Friday, Jan. 6, at 10 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 6-1

CHAKSANG Jan. 7. FOOCHOW, SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Hunts Wharf on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 11 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation Tender from Customs Jetty at 10 a.m. Saturday. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 7-1

SOOCHOW Jan. 7. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—From French Bund on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 11 a.m. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund). 7-1

TAISANG Jan. 7. SWATOW, HONGKONG, KWONGCHOWWAN, HOIHOW and HAIPHONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Saturday, Jan. 7, at 11.30 a.m. "A" and "B" Saloon Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 7-1

KAYING Jan. 8. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—From French Bund on Sunday, Jan. 8, at noon. For freight and passage apply to Butterfield & Swire, Tel. 82020 (French Bund.) 8-1

HANGSANG Jan. 11. SWATOW and HONGKONG.—Sails from Roosevelt Terminal Wharf on Wednesday, Jan. 11. For freight apply Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd. Tel. 15290. 11-1

TJISADANE Jan. 12. AMOY, HONGKONG, MANILA, CEBU, MACASSAR, BALI, SOERABAIA and JAVA N.C.—The J.C.J.L. ms. Tjisadane" sails from Holt's Wharf, Pootung on Thursday, Jan. 12, at 11 a.m. taking cargo to Java and transhipment in Java. Excellent passenger accommodation. Passengers tender leaves Customs Jetty at 9.30 a.m. Through tickets issued to EUROPEAN, AUSTRALIAN and African Ports. For particulars apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 11-1

JAPAN

MENELAUS Jan. 5. OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 5-1

SARPEDON Jan. 8. KOBE and YOKOHAMA. First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund, Tel. 82020. 8-1

NELLORE Jan. 10. (From Shanghai) MOJI, KOBE, OSAKA and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428 (3 lines). 10-1

RAJPUTANA Jan. 10. KOBE and YOKOHAMA.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, P. & O. S. N. Co., No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 10-1

STRAITS AND EUROPE

JEAN LABORDE Jan. 5. MARSEILLES via HONGKONG SAIGON, SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, DJIBOUTI, SUEZ and PORT SAID.—Messageries Maritimes, 9 Avenue Edward VII. Tel. 82034. 5-1

AENEAS Jan. 6. MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, BREMERHAVEN and GLASGOW.—First Class Passenger Accommodation. For freight and passage apply Agents, Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 6-1

SEROOSKERK Jan. 6. (Loading on Jan. 5.) ADEN, PORT SUDAN, PORT SAID, GENOA, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, AMSTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN.—The Holland East Asia Line s.s. Serooskerk sails from Customs Lower Buoys No. 14-15 on Friday, January 6. For passage and freight apply to the Java-China-Japan Lijn Agentschap Shanghai N.V., General Agents, Brunner Mond Building, 133 Szechuen Road. Tel. Nos. 16247 (4 Lines). 6-1

TANCRED Jan. 6. CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and OSLO via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE and PORT SAID.—Motor vessel Tancred of the Wilhelmsen Lines will be despatched from Shanghai on or about January 6, for the above-mentioned ports. Through bills of lading issued for all Scandinavian and Baltic ports. For freight or passage please apply to Dodwell and Company, Ltd., 17 Canton Road. Tel. 11366. 6-1

REGENSBURG Jan. 9. MARSEILLES, CASABLANCA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and BREMEN via HONGKONG, SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BELAWAN, COLOMBO, PORT SUDAN and PORT SAID.—For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L. 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 9-1

C. OF MANDALAY Jan. 10. HAVRE, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and GLASGOW.—The Ellerman Line steamer City of Mandalay is due to sail for Havre, London, Rotterdam, Hamburg and Glasgow on January 10, 1939. Lacey & Cannan, Ltd. Tel. 12854 (3 Lines). 10-1

POTSDAM Jan. 10. GENOA, SOUTHAMPTON, ROTTERDAM, BREMEN and HAMBURG via HONGKONG, MANILA, SINGAPORE, PENANG, BELAWAN, COLOMBO and PORT SAID. For freight and passage apply to Melchers & Co., general agents, N.D.L. 210-214 Kiukiang Road. Tel. 15566. 10-1

GLENSHIEL Jan. 14. CASABLANCA, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG and ANTWERP via HONGKONG and STRAITS.—Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Agents, Glen Line Ltd. Tel. 15290. 14-1

CARTHAGE Jan. 17. MARSEILLES, GIBRALTAR and LONDON via HONGKONG, SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, BOMBAY, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID and MALTA.—Last tender leaves Customs Jetty 1.30 p.m. Tuesday, January 17. Hand packages only accepted by the Tender. Heavy Baggage received into Lighter at Customs Jetty between 2 and 3 p.m. on Monday, January 16. Customs Permit required for any nailed cases. For Freight and Passage Apply to:—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 17-1

AMERICA

KUNIKAWA M. Jan. 25. NEW YORK, BOSTON, PHILADELPHIA and BALTIMORE via SAN FRANCISCO and LOS ANGELES. For freight please apply to Showa Shipping Co., Ltd., 130 Hankow Road, Tel. Nos. 18650, 18659 and 16118. 25-1

AUSTRALASIA

NELLORE Jan. 10. (From Shanghai) RABAUL, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE via JAPAN and PORTS.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Agents, E. & A. S. S. Co., Ltd. No. 27 The Bund. Tel. No. 11428. 10-1

TAIPING Jan. 13. (From Hongkong) MANILA, THURSDAY I., CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.—For freight and passage apply Agents, A.-O. Line Ltd., Butterfield & Swire, 21 French Bund. Tel. 82020. 13-1

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(Last connecting time from Sub-Offices to Head Office is 19.35 on week days and 19.05 on Sunday).

Date and Destination	Per	Reg.	Ord.
THURSDAY, Jan. 5.			
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Shanghai M.	*20.00	7.15
Tsingtao Wei. C'foo T'tsin	Hoihow	*20.00	7.30
Amoy and Hongkong	Yunnan	*20.00	7.30
Haimen Che.	Santarem	7.30	8.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Kaiping	7.30	9.00
Chinwangtao	Kaiping	8.30	9.00
Foochow	Prosper	8.30	9.00
Swatow Hongkong Pakhoi and Haiphong	Kiangsu	11.00	11.30
Kwangtung and Kwangsi .	Kiangsu	11.00	11.30
Tsingtao	Fausang	11.30	12.00
Haimen Che.	Hanna	12.00	12.30
Wenchow	Produce X	13.30	14.00
Nantung	Nantung M.	14.30	15.00
H'kong (Y) Aust. (Y) N.Z. (Y) and Manila..	Serooskerk A	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei Offices east of Jukao	Liwo	16.30	17.00
Wenchow	M. Francisca	18.30	19.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India Suez (Y) and Europe (Y) ...	Aeneas B	18.30	20.00
Hongkong and Canton ...	Aeneas	19.30	20.00
Wenchow	Dragao	19.30	20.00
Haimen Che.	Don Pedro	19.30	20.00
FRIDAY, Jan. 6.			
Tsingtao and Dairen	Hoten M.	*20.00	7.15
Formosa via Keelung ...	Tyosa M.	*20.00	7.15
Chuanchow	Hsin Peking	7.30	8.00
Tsingtao Chefoo Tientsin	Taiseunhong	9.00	9.30
Haimen Che.	Elbhof	9.00	9.30
Indo-China via Haiphong	Soochow C	—	—
SATURDAY Jan. 7.			
Japan Korea via Nagasaki	Nagasaki M.	*20.00	7.15
Swatow H'kong H'phong	Soochow	8.00	8.30
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Soochow	8.00	8.30
Hongkong	Yingchow	8.00	8.30
Foochow	Chaksang	8.00	8.30
Aust. N.Z. and Indo-China	Tancred DX	8.00	9.00
Hongkong and Canton ..	Tancred X	8.30	9.00
Swatow H'kong H'phong	Taisang	8.30	9.00
Kwangtung and Kwangsi	Taisang	8.30	9.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	Shengking	8.30	10.00
Weihaiwei Chefoo Tientsin	Shengking	9.30	10.00
Chefoo and Tientsin	Taksang	10.00	10.30

* The night before.
A Parcel mail for Holland, closes at 12.00 on 5th.
B Parcel mail for S.S., Gt. Britain and other countries, closes at 16.00 on 5th.
C Parcel mail for Indo-China, closes at 16.00 on 6th.
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Ocean Mails for Europe and America.
Via Siberia by steamer to Tientsin or Chinwangtao for transmission.
Next steamer mails will be closed as follows:—
ss. Aeneas, via Suez, January 5, due London February 12.
ss. Pots dam, via Suez, January 10, due London February 5
ss. Victoria, via Suez, January 18, due London February 13.

Air Mails
Imperial Airways Service (Hongkong-Bangkok-London and Hongkong-Bangkok-Singapore-Australia) per ss. Aeneas, at 8 p.m. on January 5, and due Bracciano, Italy on January 15, and London on January 16.
Pan American Airways Service (Hongkong-San Francisco) per ss. Tjisadane, at 8 a.m. on January 12, and due San Francisco on January 25.
Neth (K.L.M.) Air Mail Service (Bandoeng-Amsterdam) per ss. Aeneas, at 8 p.m. on January 5, and due Amsterdam on January 22, and London on January 23.
Royal Netherlands Indies' Airways K.N.I.L.M. (Saigon-Batavia-Sydney) per available steamer to Hongkong for transmission to Saigon.
Air-France (Hanoi-Marseilles) from Hongkong per available steamer to Hanoi every Saturday.
Shanghai-Japan Air Mail Service:—Air mails close daily at 8 p.m.

Domestic Air Mail
Air mails for Nanking per Shanghai-Nanking Air Line close at 12.00 (At Yuhang Road Sub-Office daily at 11.30 a.m.
Air mails for Ningsia, Shensi, Szechwan, Yunnan, Kweichow, Hupeh (Shasi and west) and west thereof are to be forwarded to Hongkong for further transmission by the Hongkong-Chungking plane.

Train Mail
Light mails for or via Pengpu, Wuhu, N.S.R. and Lunghai (east of Yunho; Tungshan and Kaifeng) close daily, at 9.30 p.m.
Light mails for or via Hangchow close daily at 9 a.m. and 9.30 p.m., for Sungkiang, Kanshan, Kashing, Wangteen, Siashih, Linping and Hangchow closes daily at 9 a.m.
Light mails for Kiangpei Offices west and north of Jukao via Chinkiang close daily at 9.30 p.m.
Light mails for Hangyang, Wuchang and Hankow by occasional sailings direct to Hankow.
Light mails for or via River Ports beyond Nanchang per available steamer via Wenchow.

Vessels Discharging

URSULA RICKMERS. From Continent and way ports arrived on January 1, and is discharging her cargo at Jardine's Pootung Wharf under terms and conditions of the Wharf Tariff. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Rickmers-Linie, 9 Ave. Edw. VII. Tel. 83308. 5-1

MENELAUS. From Liverpool arrived on Jan. 3, and is discharging her cargo at Holt's Wharf, Pootung. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on Jan. 12, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, Jan. 6, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 7-1

PHEMIUS. From NEW YORK.—Cargo ex this vessel arrived from Hongkong per "Menelaus" on Jan. 3. Consignees are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature. Consignees of "Bulk Cargo" are further requested to send their representative to the Wharf to verify the weight of such cargo whilst being landed. Free storage period expires on Jan. 12, 1939. Damaged cargo will be examined in the presence of a Customs Officer on Friday, Jan. 6, at 10 a.m. Claims must be presented within 15 days of vessel's arrival. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 7-1

MUNCASTER CASTLE The ms. Muncaster Castle from New York, via ports is now discharging her cargo at The Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co's Pootung East Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their bills of lading for countersignature and take immediate delivery of their cargo. All risk of fire at the wharf and godowns is to be borne by Consignees. Any claims against this vessel must be sent in within fifteen (15) days after vessel's arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized. Examination of broken and ship-damaged cargo will be held at The Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co's Pootung East Wharf at 9. a.m., on Jan. 10, 1939 when Messrs. Paulsen & Bayes-Davy will be in attendance. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Agents 17 Canton Road, Tel. 11369. 7-1

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Passenger Lists

ss. Menelaus Arrivals

Amongst the passengers arriving in the ss. Menelaus from Europe and way ports on January 3 were—Mr. W. J. Greggor and Mrs. W. C. Henry from England, and Messrs. K. Schlinke, C. C. Whitehead and Sze Hao Hsu from Hongkong.

ss. Hoihow Departures

Mr. and Mrs. E. Casey left yesterday in the ss. Hoihow for Chefoo.

ss. Yunnan Departures

Among the passengers who left for the South yesterday in the ss. Yunnan were—Messrs. Lock, Hamilton and Clark, and Messrs. H. E. Nelsson,

Weather, Time and Tide

Thursday, January 5, 1939 (15th day of 11th moon)	Siccawei January 3 19.00	Siccawei January 3 21.00	Siccawei January 4 4.00	Siccawei January 4 9.00	Gutzlaff 9.00	Gutzlaff 14.00
Barometer inches at 32 F.	30.06	30.13	30.19	30.32	—	—
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	—0.28	—0.23	—0.04	+0.15	—	—
at 32 F. (" " 12 hrs.)	—0.17	—0.04	+0.13	+0.19	—	—
Wind (direction)	SW	WSW	W	WNW	—	—
" (miles per hour)	9.9	16.2	19.3	11.8	—	—
Temperature (Fahr.)	44.°1	42.°3	40.°1	41.°7	—	—
Humidity %	86	94	100	87	—	—
Nebulosity (0 to 10)	10	10	10	10	—	—
Rainfall inches	—	—	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report January 3	Mean 1939	24 hours variation	Previous average same period (66 years)
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.15	—0.22	30.38
Temp. Min. 40.°1 Max. 47.°8	41.°0	+4.°0	37.°2
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	0.16	0.11	0.11

Date	5/1	6/1	7/1	8/1	9/1	10/1	11/1	12/1	13/1
Sun rises at Shanghai......	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54	6.54
Sun sets at Shanghai	5.05	5.05	5.06	5.07	5.08	5.09	5.09	5.10	5.11
Moon rises at Shanghai	16.38	17.47	18.57	20.05	21.12	22.17	23.19	—	0.20
Moon sets at Shanghai	5.49	6.46	7.38	8.25	9.08	9.48	10.26	11.04	11.43
Flood makes Shai. 6 to 18.00	9.30	10.14	11.00	11.51	12.21	13.20	14.20	15.25	16.40
Ebb. makes Shai. 6 to 18.00	15.03	15.45	16.30	17.12	17.53	5.38	6.27	7.23	8.34
H.W. W'sung Bar 6 to 18.00	11.35	12.23	12.57	13.42	14.29	15.27	16.24	17.21	6.07
Height above LL.W (feet)..	7.45	8.45	9.45	9.94	9.40	9.00	8.25	7.40	6.90